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‘C-Fest’ takes campus by storm

Spencer German
Campus Editor

As students prepared for a weekend packed full of great music, the first-ever Carroll Fest came to campus.

The festivities kicked off on Friday evening around 5 p.m., with Charlie Mosbrook, followed by several other bands, including Unknown for Now, The Beauregards and The Alibi.

Junior Evan Bellan, the drummer for The Beauregards, was thrilled to perform in front of the JCU community at Carroll Fest.

“I love playing music for people, and it was a special treat to play for my good friends at Carroll,” he said. “[They] are extremely supportive of my music, and it was so cool to have them all there for the show.”

Friday night concluded with performances by the Schott Dining Hall’s very own “Fat Chris,” and the up-and-coming rap duo BEDROC.

Through the night and into Saturday morning, rain fell over University Heights, forcing Saturday’s shows indoors for the day. That didn’t put a damper on the shows though, as Alan Brooks got the day started around 3 p.m. The rest of the afternoon saw a coalition of artists and bands, including Andrew Yadon, 3x7, The Dudes, Summerays, Sam Brenner and Humble Home. We Don’t Do Math ended the night in an entertaining fashion and put the first-ever Carroll Fest to rest.



Carroll Fest 2012



Carroll Fest offered live shows on the Atrium stairs and IM Gym.

“In my opinion and from the information I had from last year and [comments I] had heard, I feel that the new twist we made to [the] Spring Concert overall has been for the better. The name change from Spring Concert to Carroll Fest is just the beginning of such a different experience we have brought to Carroll,” said Cassie Pacer, SUPB’s major events coordinator.

Despite some skepticism around campus earlier in the year about not getting a big-name artist to perform, the event turned out to be a success overall, according to Pacer.

“Comparing the attendance to last year’s, we exceeded by tripling or even quadrupling the total amount of students throughout the whole weekend. I hope for Carroll Fest to become one of the few traditions we can establish on Carroll’s campus so that students, faculty and the public are all welcome to come join together to a weekend of pure live music, free food and a great time,” Pacer said.

Bellan also enjoyed the new format. “I love supporting local music and up-and-coming artists, so it was a treat to be able to do that with this year’s Spring Concert,” he said. “However, I think it would be great if we could have local artists throughout the day, then finish each day with one well-known artist that could draw more students to the Fest.”

“With the positive response to the concert’s new format, SUPB looks to stick with it for next year. Still, some improvements and adjustments can be made to make the event a bigger success next year for students,” Pacer said.

“The one thing that I would improve for next year would be the timing of the event,” said Pacer. “Since we originally intended the event to be outside all weekend, the choice of weekend to suit the weather and other school activities came into play. Dedicating the Carroll Fest as the main event for a weekend in April is our goal for next year so that all students can attend.”

Presidential perspectives: Part II

Dan Cooney
Editor in Chief

Thirty years ago this summer, the Rev. Robert Niehoff, S.J. was ordained into the Society of Jesus. During his years as a Jesuit, Niehoff spent time from 1987-1991 as the chief financial officer for the Archdiocese of Nassau, The Bahamas, where he helped to build schools, rectories and churches, train people for ministry work and created its fundraising structure.

“The Bahamas experience was the most exciting part of my Jesuit life because it was the best of the combinations of the pastoral opportunities and the administrative opportunities without being too separate,” Niehoff told The Carroll News in an interview on Wednesday, April 18. Niehoff also said that while the summer heat there made the job demanding, he loved the people and “was able to use my skills to make a difference.”

When he became president of JCU in 2005, Niehoff wanted to use his skills to make a difference in the relationship between the University and University Heights. He believed “reasonableness, openness [and] honesty would work” to solve the ongoing issues between the two. He said, among some residents, the focus was on how JCU had damaged what University Heights used to be, and how they wanted to recover that.

“Before long, I found that there was really no good way forward,” Niehoff said. “It was a lack of being able to focus on mutual benefit because John Carroll is willing and was willing to go forward for mutual benefit, but not to sacrifice everything we needed to

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Scammer email threatens student privacy

Molly Bealin
Assistant Campus Editor

A week ago, the JCU community received an email from the Information Technology Services Department with the words “WARNING! WARNING! WARNING!” in red ink. The reason for that email is that two weeks ago, two students responded to an email that strongly resembled an email from JCU and gave out personal information. Since the incident, both accounts have been reset and passwords have been changed, but the school wants to keep everyone on high alert.

“I was concerned because the email seemed more urgent than the warning emails in the past,” said sophomore Julia Blanchard, regarding the email.

Mike Bestul, chief information officer of ITS, said, “The latest series of incidents have been troubling because the scammers have figured out how to closely emulate legitimate John Carroll University correspondence and logos. However, it is always true that the University and its ITS Department will never ask for your log on information through an email message.”

According to Bestul, when scammers do a “phishing attempt,” they always target a wide audience. This is one reason why they chose to copy JCU’s email system. Another reason is because universities have relatively open and good mail servers with a lot of capacity.

“People should just be smart and make sure that if they’re giving away personal

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Campus Briefs

JCU shows strong representation at ‘Jesuit Day of Service’

Last Saturday, April 28, JCU and eight other Jesuit institutions took part in the Jesuit Day of Service. There were over 600 total volunteers, and they did service at five greater Cleveland sites. Volunteers did landscaping, painting and spring cleaning.

The institutions that were a part of the day of service included Boys Hope Girls Hope, Church of the Gesu, Ignatian Volunteer Corps, Jesuit Retreat House, Jesuit Volunteer Corps, John Carroll University, St. Ignatius High School and St. Martin de Porres High School.

Student Union hosts Homecoming contest

Student Union is looking for help from the JCU community to come up with a name and logo for this fall’s Homecoming and Family Weekend. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each contest.

This year’s Homecoming will be on Oct. 5-7 at The RainForest of the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. The dance will be on Friday, and family activities will be held on Saturday and Sunday.

Students can enter one or both of the contests, but submissions are due May 4 at 11:59 p.m. Entries can be submitted to jcu.edu/supb/home/homecoming. Contact the Student Union office for more information.

Senior Retreat coming up

Campus Ministry is offering seniors the chance to return to campus on May 16 to spend time with friends one last time. The retreat is an opportunity for seniors to partake in a meaningful and reflective discussion.

The day begins at 11:30 a.m. with reflective lunch on campus, but the retreat itself will take place at Carrollodge. The topics will include: maintaining relationships and building community, continuing your spiritual journey and adult responsibilities.

The day will include a barbeque and lawn games and end at 8:30 p.m. There is no fee for this retreat, but registration is required.

For more information, contact Paula Fitzgerald or call 216-397-4709.

JCU seniors earn awards and honors

Millor Orator



Andy Lane
Majors: Marketing and Business Logistics

Each year, the Millor Orator is chosen from the senior class to represent the graduating class at the commencement exercises. This is a great honor, as the Millor Orator is the only student invited to speak at Commencement.

2012-2013 Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange for Young Professionals

CBYX program is made possible due to the ongoing support of the United States Congress and the German Bundestag. Participants are between the ages of 18 and 24 at the start of the program, and must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Applicants do not need to be enrolled to participate, but should have well-defined career goals with related work/internship experience, flexibility, good communication skills, diplomacy and a strong sense of American identity. Seventy-five total participants were chosen from an applicant pool of over 500, and it is a great accomplishment that Wyman was awarded this unique study- and work-abroad fellowship.



Jacqueline Wyman
Majors: Sociology Foreign Affairs

Beaudry Award



James Haitz
Majors: Management and Logistics



Jeff Hatgas
Major: Psychology

The Beaudry Award is presented at the commencement ceremony and this year honors two graduating senior who exemplify the ideal of Jesuit education: a man or woman for and with others. The Beaudry Award recognizes outstanding service in the following areas:

- Leadership
- Commitment to Christian values
- Academic achievement
- Service to the University and/or greater community

Niehoff talks University Heights relations

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for the perceived benefit of a few, and no real benefit for either the City or us.”

After years of wrangling, which even included a lawsuit filed in court by the University against the City, things seem to be looking up, Niehoff said.

University Heights Mayor Susan Infeld agreed, saying the City and the University are currently working together on issues of mutual concern.

“Recently, we worked with the county on the [South] Belvoir Boulevard repaving project scheduled for 2013, focusing on traffic calming measures to be included in the project between the Belvoir dorms and the [student center],” she said.

When Infeld was elected mayor, she said she met with Niehoff soon afterwards and discussed how the City and the University can work toward mutual benefit.

“Since that time I have gotten to know Father Niehoff and the University’s senior staff very well,” Infeld said. “I’ve worked with Father Niehoff and also with many of the vice presidents on all kinds of issues. Our interactions have always been cordial and we have produced results that have been beneficial to the University and to the City. I’m very pleased about that.”

Infeld said she and Niehoff agreed early on to keep channels of communication open and work with each other.

“That pattern has worked and we have many projects that show how our efforts have been beneficial for both the city and the University,” she said.

Niehoff agreed with the mayor’s sentiments, saying that from the beginning of

her term, he and the mayor have conversed regularly. “She listens, she tries to find solutions [and] tries to move the city forward,” he said. “There are still significant issues that we’ll need to deal with, not the least of which is to help the City move forward now with John Carroll as a partner ... I’m very hopeful going forward.”

Vandalism allegedly caused by JCU students in the neighborhood near Church of the Gesu was unfortunate because the University was making positive progress with the City, Niehoff said. While some neighbors choose to live near the vibrant community that JCU is, he explained, they don’t want their yards destroyed or to be awakened late at night.

“It’s really important for John Carroll that we be reasonable and respectful of trying to do what universities do, and young people trying to do what young people do, but to do that in a way that doesn’t negatively impact others [and] that make[s] all of our conversations more difficult,” Niehoff said.

He addressed the vandalism in a homily during a Sunday Mass he celebrated last semester. But he feels that many in the congregation missed the point of his sermon.

“It seemed to me, relative to what I heard after that homily ... some individuals who heard that message heard only the negativity. Whereas it seemed to me that the negativity relative to disappointment was balanced with what I think is almost a constant message from me – because it doesn’t come from me, it comes from the Gospels – of our responsibility for each other and the fact that basically whatever community we want is the one we’re creating,” he said.

Niehoff holds the same view about the recent damage in Murphy Hall. “It’s up to

the community to help [those students who vandalize] out. In my experience, that’s the only thing that’s effective,” he said. “Yes, we can put up cameras, we can catch people, we can discipline people and we can put them out, but that isn’t helping the community at all. Nor is it inviting other students to take the responsibility that is theirs to create the environment they want to live in, and the responsibility that is ours to help make that happen.”

Many University Heights residents are expressing concerns over a recent master plan unveiled by the Cleveland Heights-University Heights School District, part of which includes closing Gearity Professional Development School, 2323 Wrenford Avenue (nearly half a mile from JCU’s Belvoir gate). Niehoff said he does not see the University purchasing the property because it wouldn’t serve any of the University’s needs for creating more space for parking, playfields or building apartment-style student housing.

“The neighbors aren’t going to like parking there, it’s not really big enough for playfields that make a meaningful difference to us, and I don’t think we’re going to build apartment-style student housing there,” he said.

Would JCU still want the property even if it didn’t serve those uses? Niehoff responded, “I doubt it.”

For Niehoff’s comments on contraception and diversity, please see p. 3

Campus Safety Log



April 27, 2012

Theft was reported at the Belvoir Lot at 8 a.m.

April 28, 2012

Criminal mischief was reported at 11:45 p.m. in Sutowski Hall.

April 27, 2012

Assault was reported at 10:31 p.m. at the RecPlex.

These incidents are taken from the files of Campus Safety Services, located in the lower level of the Lombardo Student Center. For more information, contact x1615.

Phishing emails reach inboxes

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information, it’s to a legitimate, credible organization,” said Blanchard.

In response to the hackings, ITS has heightened attentiveness. All JCU faculty and staff have been switched to Gmail accounts. ITS believes this will lessen the likelihood of future attacks because Gmail has a greater ability to prevent spammers.

“Right now, the ITS Department is on high alert for more phishing attempts and compromised accounts. We expect this heightened vigilance to continue until all faculty, staff and students are on the Gmail system, which has far more capability to prevent spam exploits than our aging internal system. We are, and have been, in the process of moving all faculty, staff and other accounts that were still on the old system to Gmail over the past several weeks. This effort was independent of any spam activity and is being done to put all of the JCU community on a single cloud-based email system,” said Bestul.

According to the ITS Department, while heightened awareness and a new email system will help stop future hackings, the best way to avoid having your information phished is to not give it away in the first place.

“The advice that ITS has for members of the JCU community to prevent phishing is to never, ever, give away your user account information (name and password) to a request coming through email. ITS will never ask for that information via email, and if you get an email that asks for that in any way, regardless of how realistic it may appear, you can be assured that it is not coming from the University but instead is a phishing attempt by a scam operation,” said Bestul.

Niehoff’s views on...

Contraception

One topic on which the Rev. Robert Niehoff, S.J., JCU president, will not take a personal stance is the controversial proposal for the University faculty-staff insurance policy coverage of contraception.

On Feb. 14, he received a letter from 47 faculty members requesting that he work with the presidents of other Catholic higher education institutions to encourage less intense rhetoric from American Catholic bishops. The faculty, in the letter, also urged Niehoff to respect religious liberty and support insurance coverage of contraception.

“My concern was that the faculty letter was disrespectful of the bishops and the Church. And so when I talked about respectful debate, you can’t accuse others of being political without being political yourself,” Niehoff said in an interview two weeks ago. “There’s no positive value in my taking a personal position on this because the vast majority of our alumni expect John Carroll to be respectful of the Church.”

Niehoff pointed out that waiting for the Supreme Court’s decision later this year creates uncertainty for the entire health care debate.

“John Carroll’s concern [and] the Jesuits universities’ concern was to have the Department of Health and Human Services talk about which institutions were Catholic enough,” he said. “So the religious liberty thing is about that – it’s about [that] it never was the government’s job to talk about who was really a part of the Church – any Church – and who’s not. In this case, they decided to talk about what the church definition should be. Now, they also decided to trump any religious debate in this regard. That concerns people too. So, I felt in general that these issues were complicated and that all of us need to be respectful of those individuals who disagree with us.”

Niehoff said no discussions have taken place between him and the faculty who signed the letter because the issue is a national issue, not a John Carroll issue. But the conversations, he said, have been with other Catholic and Jesuit schools.

“We need to see what the courts do, and then we need to see what happens legislatively, and we need to see where the bishops are in their conversation about it, as well,” Niehoff said. “For now, we can debate all of the pieces of this. But what’s clear is it isn’t one issue. It’s not really as simple as some would suggest.”

Diversity

One thing JCU President, the Rev. Robert Niehoff, S.J. hopes no one doubts, he said, is his commitment to making diversity a high profile issue on campus. In his presidential inauguration address in 2005, Niehoff mentioned an incident that occurred almost two weeks before, when a water balloon was thrown and racial slur was yelled at a custodial employee.

“We do not condone and will not permit such behavior. Individuals who disrespect members of our community will be asked to leave the University,” Niehoff said in his address.

Now, Niehoff said the University has doubled the number of students of color, is slowly hiring more faculty members of color and has increased its hiring of staff members of color.

“I’m confident we have the allies in the community to move us forward,” he said in an interview two weeks ago. “Are we there yet? No. What I’ve said to people who have advocated more activity is I can’t believe that talking about it more will actually change anything.”

Niehoff said he wants to see more diversity programming in the curriculum and student activities, among other things. He also stressed the importance of the new hires in the Center for Student Diversity and Inclusion and the need for a chief diversity officer.

“[Where we’re moving toward] is empowering more individuals to be more proactive in moving the community along, realizing that not everyone wants to be a part of an inclusive community,” Niehoff said. “But we’re moving, and we already have moved, and people are invited to come along.”

Director of CSDI, Danielle Carter said she communicates with Niehoff mostly through Vice President for Student Activities Mark McCarthy. But she has received emails from Niehoff.

“[He said] he is very pleased with the work that we do,” Carter said.

Niehoff said he is committed to hiring a chief diversity office for the University, one of the recommendations made by the Institutional Task Force on Diversity in October of 2009.

“To have the president say that we need this [a chief diversity officer] ... is huge,” Carter said.

Carter hopes the CDO will be hired within the next school year.

JCU’s entrepreneurship minor opens doors for several students

Kelley Sanchez
Ryllie Danyiko
The Carroll News

If you’re from Northeast Ohio, chances are you have seen or used one of the 500 businesses owned or operated by JCU graduates. Several of the 195 students in JCU’s entrepreneurship minor program are looking to add to this legacy by starting their own businesses right out of college.

Only three years after its creation, Bloomberg Businessweek ranked it as the best undergraduate entrepreneurship program in Northeast Ohio and 43rd best nationwide. Mark Hauserman, director of the Muldoon Center for Entrepreneurship, attributes the program’s success to its unique approach.

“It’s not all business, all the time,” said Hauserman. “One of the problems in a university is the disconnect between what you’re learning and what you want to do.”

Hauserman emphasized the importance of the creative, independent side of entrepreneurship that JCU students get in the program, and he estimated that about 75 percent of entrepreneurs are arts and science majors, as opposed to business majors.

“We are one of six student hatcheries in the United States. The hatchery is there to help students develop their ideas; whether they will develop into a business or not is a question,” said Hauserman.

A.J. Teresi, a senior communication major in the program, is working on a project of his own.

“Our corporate name is Summer College Solutions, but

we’re going to be doing business as SMILE: Students Moving Ideas Launching Everywhere, which supports student entrepreneurship,” said Teresi.

The purpose of Teresi’s business is to pick up and store items for college students over the summer. He started working on it in October 2011. After graduation, he plans to work on growing the business, and hopes to bring it to nine other colleges in Northeast Ohio.

His goal is to get other college students involved in entrepreneurship. “The best way to describe [my business] is kind of an internship for students at their individual college where they make an hourly wage and five percent commission rate,” he said.

Two other students, seniors Katie Moss and Erika Port, are working on fulfilling their shared entrepreneurial dreams. Their idea is to sell artificial flowers and plant arrangements that are infused with aromatic scents. They recently bought a website called scentedarrangements.com where anyone can go to buy their arrangements.

“We are hoping to sell to a consumer level all the way up to a commercial level,” Port said.

They currently have five different stages where consumers can pick out plant arrangements, flower arrangements, customization and health and wellness.

Moss and Port have divvied up their roles and responsibilities within the business. Moss said, “I am going to be in charge of the creative process, and Erika is more marketing. I am taking classes on how to make flower arrangements and bouquets as well.”

Both seniors were enrolled in Entrepreneurship 102 in fall

2011, where they were put in a group together and had to present a final presentation. Port and Moss submitted their business idea into competitions and have won two out of three of them, including JCU’s own IdeaLab competition, which has proved to be a valuable networking tool.

“We are meeting with one of the judges we met at the competition because he wants to invest,” said Port.

They have also found the hatchery, located on the third floor of the Boler School of Business, to be very useful in their endeavors.

“We use it for meetings. Through John Carroll, we were given a mentor to help meet with us,” said Moss. “It really helps to use the resources that John Carroll can provide for us because otherwise we would have to pay for it ourselves.”

Hauserman said that JCU entrepreneurs will go out into the business world much more prepared than their peers.

“The last thing we want to do is send somebody out to start a business that is not going to be successful,” he said.

“It’s not all business, all the time. One of the problems in a university is the disconnect between what you’re learning and what you want to do.”

– Mark Hauserman
Director of the Muldoon Center for Entrepreneurship

CAMPUS CALENDAR : MAY 3 – MAY 10							
3	Thursday	4	Friday	5	Saturday	6	Sunday
Last day of classes for the Spring 2012 semester.		Late Night Finals Breakfast at 11 p.m. in the Schott Dining Hall.		Reading Day.		Mass in St. Francis Chapel at 6 and 10 p.m.	

Fashion favorites for the beach

The Carroll News gives the inside scoop for the best fashion tips in beachwear

Alex Egan
Staff Reporter

With just a short week until the end of the school year to go, it's time to start packing up the rain boots and North Faces and pulling out the flip flops and beachwear. Whether you're jetting away to a beach in Hawaii, driving up to the Cleveland shore or just lounging by your community pool, get the scoop on the hottest beach trends of the summer. Just because you get to forfeit a few layers of clothing, doesn't mean you get to forfeit your style.

First step: the bathing suit. Vintage bathing suits are back in a whole new way. Not that you want to look like a '50s pin-up girl, but throwback suits are modernized this season to look current, yet still seriously high fashion. This new trend is available in many different styles – a high waist here, a vintage print there – and have been seen on the likes of a slew of celebrities, such as Katy Perry and Taylor Swift.

Ruffles are in this season as well, whether there's a slight ruffle on your triangle top, or a ruffled skirt around

your bikini bottom. This super-feminine look is easy to find, as it can be found on any type of bathing suit this year.

Not feeling the two-piece this season? Have no fear. Seen on celebrities such as Rihanna and Diane Kruger, the one-piece is making a hotter-than-ever comeback.

Though there are many types of one-pieces out there, such as the "monokini" which is a one-piece with heavy cut-outs, the trend that is sure to take the stage within the next few years is just a printed version of the plain-but-still-sexy one-piece, a



Cat eye frames: the hottest trend in



Ruffles add a girlish flair to any bikini.



When in doubt, aviator it out.



Bring Blues Brothers to the beach with Wayfarer Sunglasses.

la "Baywatch." Thanks to Pamela Anderson and the ever-famous Farrah Fawcett poster for that one.

Another trend you're going to see this season is color, color and more color. With an elaborate rainbow of nearly every shade out there, basic bikinis have really upped the ante this year. Shield your eyes, because with neon in the mix this year, you're bound to find hues that are brighter than the sun that will perfect your darkest tan. Which transitions to the next step: sunglasses.

Sunglasses are a true summer staple. Whether you're sporting them at the beach, or just on any regular summer day, one can never have too many pairs of shades. Luckily, there are a number of trends to choose from this year. Glasses with a more beige-coffee colored frame are back for a more "boho" look, straight from the '70s. Pastel and neon frames are here to add to the dominance of colored everything this season, and gray frames are also here to add some subtlety



Taylor Swift sports a vintage high-waisted bikini. Vintage bathing suits are back in style this summer

Photos from people.com, targetsavers.com, ray-ban.com, vogue.com and amazon.com

Train's new album breaks barriers

ALBUM REVIEW

"California 37"



Jessica Lipold
The Carroll News

Train's new album, titled "California 37," showcases musical risks the band takes which will astound many fans.

This is Train's seventh album, following "Save Me, San Francisco," which certified Gold in 2009. The pop/rock trio band has many popular hits such as "Drops of Jupiter," "Marry Me," "Hey, Soul Sister" and their breakout hit "Meet Virginia."

It has been three years since Pat Monahan, Scott Underwood and Jimmy Stafford first recorded an album, and fans are eager to listen to what the trio has produced.

If fans are looking for the band they met back with "Meet Virginia," they may be surprised with unexpected musical twists in Train's new album.

This album features new sounds and new

instruments for Train. The album includes whistling, flutes and trumpets, in addition to Spanish, country and gospel sounds.

This shows how the band is willing to take risks in order to not only please their fans, but to expand on what they are able to do in the music industry.

One of the flails in the album is the song, "This'll Be My Year," which is the first song on the album. It is clear that Train's song is a rip off of Billy Joel's "We Didn't Start the Fire," making the song unoriginal.

A major difference is that Train's song starts with events from the '80s until now, whereas Joel's song starts in the 1940s and goes until the 1980s. Train's song is also more of a love song, while it follows semi-recent events waiting to find a woman to love.

Their new hit single, "Drive By," has a mix of reggae and rap style. The lyrics of this song are also catchy: "Oh I swear to you/ I'll be there for you/ This is not a drive by," sings the lead singer Monahan. The radio is blowing up with this new single.

Whistling and chorus singing occur in the song "You Can Finally Meet My Mom." Many older and younger people will relate to this song with the cultural references to Jesus, Etta James, Justin Bieber and Steve Jobs. With lyrics like, "Should have spent less time making loot/ And spent more time in my birthday suit with you," will make moms cringe but teenagers laugh in agreement.

"50 Ways to Say Goodbye" is another pos-

sible hit single for the band. It has a Spanish feel to the song that makes it sound new and fresh for Train. The lines, "She was caught in a mudslide/ Eaten by a lion/ Got run over by a crappy purple Scion," are not traditional Train lyrics at which fans may marvel.

The album ends with the song "When the Fog Rolls In." The song is about a relationship ending, which can be taken as a parallel to the album ending as well.

For those die-hard Train fans or just fans in general in Cleveland, the band will be stopping by during their 2012 summer tour. They will perform on August 16 at the Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica.

For now, bring the musical variations of Train to the comfort of your own home. Sit back, relax and enjoy the stylings of the band on "California 37."



Photo from usatoday.com

Train's new album released April 17 took a different musical direction – for the better.

Train's album compilation

Save Me, San Francisco 2009



For Me, It's You 2006

My Private Nation 2004



Drops of Jupiter 2001

Train 1998



Photos from billboard.com

Entertainment Calendar

Check out what's happening in Cleveland this week!

5.3

Comic Bob Marley
Hilarities 4th Street Theatre
8 p.m.
\$15

5.4

Cleveland Indians vs. Texas Rangers
Progressive Field
7:05 p.m.
\$10

5.5

"The Rocky Horror Picture Show"
Cedar Lee Theatre
11:59 p.m.
\$9

5.6

The Cleveland Orchestra
Severance Hall
2 p.m.
\$15

Local artist starts textile business, creates own line

Anna Barnes
Staff Reporter

Local textile artist Rebecca Levine spent four years in design school after college and even interned with Nicole Miller in New York City. When she was exposed to textile design, she found her passion and decided she wanted to do it herself. She now has her own line, R. Levine, based right here in Cleveland.

The Carroll News: What products does R. Levine offer?

Rebecca Levine: What I always say is, what we offer is something new. I design fabrics. I focus on original prints for clothing and accessories. I focus on great design. There are so many different designers out there, but I try to keep it very unique to me. I started with silk scarves, but when I met people who weren't scarf-wearers, I began to adapt and make other accessories. A lot of people wear neutrals, so I like to make accessories with a lot of color to brighten it up.

CN: What sparked you to begin this business?

RL: I've always loved doing projects. When I was little, I would always make gifts for everyone. My grandmother helped me with projects when I was little, and she loved colors, glitter, beads, everything, and now I do. I had always wanted to do this but wasn't sure. When I graduated from Miami of Ohio, I went to the Illinois Institute of Art to learn silk painting. I initially started making gifts for people close to me, and people loved them and showed more of an interest, and it just snowballed. From there I started talking to more and more people and then beginning to appear at shows.

CN: You offer a special item that you created yourself, the Wrapband. What is it exactly?

RL: I'm most excited about the Wrapband. It's my newest accessory. People say, "I haven't seen this before it's something new." So I love the fact that I was able to be so creative. I do a lot of customizing for them too. I make a ton of designs from what I think my customers will like. The Wrapband is a designed strip of Rayon fabric. In the center of the Wrapband there is a silk-covered button. A lot of people mistake it for a watch. Some of my most fun ones are embellished with crystals. I have had a lot of people request personal ones with monograms and even some for weddings with the couple's last name on it.

CN: Do you currently have a store?

RL: As of right now, most of my product is sold online. I have been expanding lately by going to different shows around the country. I started off doing larger shows, one in Los Angeles and the One-of-a-Kind show in Chicago. Lately, I've been wanting to keep it more local. I love Cleveland, and I love to meet people directly. Trunk shows and parties have been really popular lately at country and athletic clubs. Home

parties and even parties at salons and spas have been fun for me to do. I really love to reach out to people in person.

CN: You seem to have a lot of products; how exactly do you go about a trunk show?

RL: A lot of shows I do are in the holiday season, because people are looking for gifts; but there has been an explosion of home shows along with the jewelry and cooking lines, so I thought why not get into it as well. I can usually just bring my whole mobile booth to a person's home or whichever venue they select. It's nice to have people see my brand in person because the design is so intricate. Plus, the artistry just can't be captured online. I like to have the opportunity to see people get excited about my work and see its beauty.

CN: Many of your pieces are handmade; do you do a lot of special orders for your customers?

RL: I hope to always be able to offer uniqueness. I do everything on my own, from the brainstorming to the actual creation. The turn around time is pretty quick now; I'd say it's done within a week's time. I'm also able to do special orders for themes such as weddings. I recently did a whole wedding party because the bride's [dress] colors resembled that of a peacock, so I got to have some fun with that and design accessories for the whole wedding party.

CN: On your website, you offer a men's section. What sparked you to begin a men's line?

RL: There aren't many options for guys out there. And in the beginning, my brother brought this to my attention, and I just kind of ran with it. I currently offer shirts and ties. I wanted to focus on masculine things because not every male is looking for something overly decorative; you know, stylish, but still masculine. A lot of people have been asking for men's accessories lately. I think it's men not wanting to be left out. I have been getting more orders than I originally anticipated. People have been going back to old school, with a new twist, ties and pocket squares. With these accessories, men can add a little flare to their outfit.

CN: What trends do you anticipate for summer and how has your product changed for the warmer months?

RL: It's quite obvious that neons and pastels are in this summer. I already use color quite a bit, but people wearing neutrals can brighten up their ensemble with a pop of color. Also, matching bold colors are in as well, so there are just a ton of options for the summer season. Summer is my high time because I love color, and it's more fair game. With accessories, I'm seeing a lot of big, bold items: earrings, necklaces, etc. Accessories overall are an easy way to take what you have but really change the outfit. Another trend that I'm seeing is monograms. I am getting a ton of custom orders lately. Scarves are always in. As opposed to a winter scarf, silk scarves are multi-seasonal; they're lightweight but also a little thicker fabric. I like to mix my line with luxury (the bright colors) and silk (still very comfortable.) All my accessories are versatile and can easily be worn from day to night.

Levine's Wrapbands displayed on a railing. The original textile prints are filled with colors and a silk-covered button.



Photo from rlevine.net

Summer jams

Mark your calendars for these shows in Cleveland this summer

June 1
7 p.m.



Lady Antebellum

Blossom Music Center

June 3
7 p.m.



Dave Matthews Band

Blossom Music Center

June 24
7 p.m.



Phish

Blossom Music Center

July 1
8 p.m.



Neil Diamond

Quicken Loans Arena

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Soundbites



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“Cannot believe I’m about to see #Avengers a second time. Don’t wanna over hype it, but prepare to love Joss [Whedon] even more.”

Seth Green on Twitter, hyping up “The Avengers” movie, which will be released this Friday.

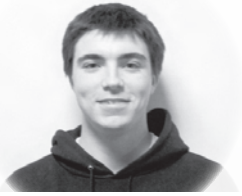
“Stand and applaud @RealLamarOdom for canceling the reality show. Gotta get ready for next season as a Laker, right?”

@Lakersnation about Lamar and Khloe canceling their reality television show.



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Mentz's Minute



Zach Mentz
Sports Editor

My 2011-12 Blue Streaks athletics awards

When you look back on recent months, it's crazy to think just how fast the time has passed here. As the old adage goes, "Time flies when you're having fun," and if that's the case, I've probably had my fair share of fun.

As we inch closer to Finals Week and summer becomes more and more of a reality, let's take a minute or so to reflect on the great athletic achievements that were accomplished this past season by Blue Streaks athletics before we wipe the slate clean this fall. With that being said, here are my end-of-the-year awards for Blue Streaks athletics:

Male Athlete of the Year: Corey Shontz, basketball. The senior point guard was named to the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Division III All-America Third Team after posting an impressive season. Shontz averaged 16 points and 4.7 assists en route to becoming the first Blue Streak basketball player to be named to an All-America team in 29 years. Honorable mention: Devin O'Brien (football), Mike Minjock (track and field), Turner Gott (wrestling).

Female Athlete of the Year: Brittany Danilov, softball. The senior stud finished the regular season with a 19-5 record in the circle and an impressive earned run average of 2.33. Danilov also held opponents to a lowly .233 batting average and led the OAC with 177 strikeouts, 66 more than the next best pitcher. Honorable mention: Colleen Harmon (soccer), Missy Spahar (basketball), Emily Mapes (track and field).

Male Rookie of the Year: Turner Gott, wrestling. The freshman grappler finished with a 26-5 record on the year and was named to the D3Wrestle.com All-Freshman team as the top rookie in the 157-pound weight class. Gott also went 2-0 while winning the OAC title at 157 pounds, earning him a berth at the NCAA Championships in La Crosse, Wis.

Female Rookie of the Year: Emily Mapes, track and field. Mapes put together an extremely impressive year, competing in all three seasons of cross country and track and field. The freshman set the OAC meet record with a time of 11:00.24 in the 3,000-meter steeplechase – a mark 16 seconds better than the next finisher. She also posted the best mark of any Blue Streak in six different events throughout the outdoor and indoor track and field seasons en route to putting together an impressive year of accomplishments.

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Blue Streaks baseball stumbles against Heidelberg

JCU drops consecutive games in an OAC doubleheader

Zach Mentz
Sports Editor

Having won seven of their previous nine games coming into their doubleheader against the Heidelberg Student Princes, the John Carroll University baseball team certainly had momentum on their side. With the Ohio Athletic Conference Tournament right around the corner, the Blue Streaks seemed to be peaking at the right time with their recent hot streak.

And then Sunday came.

Traveling to Tiffin, Ohio on Sunday, April 29, the Blue Streaks couldn't keep up with the Student Princes as they dropped consecutive road games against the home team, losing by scores of 7-1 and 10-9.

After an RBI single from senior Tom Hickey in the top of the first inning, the Blue Streaks held a narrow 1-0 lead early in game one of the doubleheader. However, the Student Princes dominated the game from there. Heidelberg responded by scoring two runs in the bottom of the first, claiming the lead for good in game one. The Student Princes tacked on their other five runs during the third, fourth and fifth innings en route to picking up a 7-1 win over the Blue Streaks at home.

Game two of the doubleheader between the Blue Streaks and Stu-



Photo courtesy of JCU Sports Information Dept.

Junior Aaron Miller and the Blue Streaks came up short on the road against the Heidelberg Student Princes this past weekend.

dent Princes proved to be a much different, much closer contest – but ultimately ended with the same result.

The Blue and Gold again began the game with the offensive fireworks rolling, as they scored two runs in the top of the first to give themselves the early 2-0 lead. JCU then tacked on one more run in the second inning before the Student Princes responded with a run of their own, cutting the Blue Streaks' lead to 3-1 after two innings. However, JCU responded once again with two more runs, giving themselves a healthy 5-1 lead after three innings of baseball.

Then the offense began to come alive for Heidelberg.

The Student Princes scored three runs in the bottom of the fourth and two more in the bottom of the fifth, claiming a 6-5 lead over JCU in the process.

In the top of the seventh inning, sophomore Jimmy Spagna belted a home run to tie the game at an even score of 6-6. Then, in the top of the eighth inning, a two-out rally proved to be just what the Blue Streaks needed.

With two outs in the inning, junior Joe Veltri walked to get the rally going for JCU. Sophomore Mitch Herringshaw then singled,

putting runners on first and second for the Blue Streaks. Hickey then connected on a single, and an error from the Heidelberg left fielder allowed both Veltri and Herringshaw to round third base and score, giving JCU an 8-6 lead heading into the bottom of the eighth inning.

In the bottom half of the eighth, Heidelberg again proved how potent their offense could be as they rounded off four runs in the inning to take back the lead, 10-8, in the ball game.

In the top of the ninth inning, trailing by two runs, the Blue Streaks tried to put together one last offensive assault. Junior Aaron Miller singled to begin the inning and was followed by another single from junior Ryan Konsler. With runners on first and second, freshman Connor Marrero then sacrificed a bunt to advance each runner over one base. Pinch-hitting for freshman Bobby Sabatino, freshman David Lykens then grounded out to the shortstop but drove in a run in the process, cutting the lead to one for Heidelberg. However, a groundout to second base from sophomore Dan Potter ended the Blue Streaks' rally, clinching the 10-9 win for the Student Princes over JCU.

The Blue and Gold will next play on Saturday, May 5 in Ada, Ohio as they take on the Ohio Northern Polar Bears in another OAC baseball doubleheader.

JCU softball sweeps Heidelberg on Senior Day

Howard Regal
Staff Reporter

The John Carroll Blue Streaks softball team has gone 3-1 in their last four games dating back to last Wednesday, April 25, to clinch the second seed in Friday and Saturday's Ohio Athletic Conference Tournament in Ada, Ohio.

The Blue Streaks split their doubleheader with crosstown rival Baldwin-Wallace last Wednesday, taking game one, 5-0, and then dropping the nightcap, 9-8. Senior first baseman Ollie Mathews homered in both games for the Blue and Gold giving her her second and third home runs of the season, and senior pitcher Brittany Danilov's complete game shutout in game one was her fifth of the season.

Then on Sunday, April 29, in the OAC regular season finale, their second place Blue Streaks were in need of just one victory against Heidelberg to clinch the second seed in the upcoming OAC postseason tournament.

The Blue and Gold rose above and beyond the call of duty as they not only clinched the second seed, but swept the 'Berg on Senior Day in front of a packed house on a beautiful, sunny day at John Carroll's Bracken Field.

In game one against the 'Berg, the Blue Streaks emerged victorious by a final count of 4-2, as Brittany Danilov won her 18th game of the season in a complete game effort where she did not allow a single

earned run. The Blue Streaks were led offensively by sophomores Morgan Robinson and Heather Hurley who each had two hits in the ballgame, including Hurley's RBI double in the fifth that was part of a three-run inning.

Soon after, in game two, the Blue Streaks overcame a 5-2 Heidelberg lead to complete the sweep with a 7-5 victory. Down 5-2 entering the bottom of the fifth, the Blue Streaks' bats came alive as Erin Riccardi drove in three with a double, and then advanced home following Hurley's third home run of the season that gave the Blue and Gold an eventual game ending score of 7-5. Riccardi also connected on a homerun back in the first inning, her second of the season and 17th of her career.

Following the sweep of Heidelberg — the Blue and Gold's fifth conference sweep of the season — John Carroll finished their regular season with an overall record of 27-13, 12-6 in conference play, which was good for a second place finish in the OAC standings behind first place Ohio Northern. The Blue Streaks will join Ohio Northern, Otterbein and Muskingum as the conference's four representatives in this weekend's OAC Tournament to play for the opportunity to become conference tournament champions.

For John Carroll's senior class, which consists of Danilov, Riccardi, Mathews, Michelle Murphy and Elena Cotton, ending their respective careers as conference champions



Photo courtesy of JCU Sports Information Dept.

The Blue Streaks picked up a pair of big wins over Heidelberg on Sunday as they clinched the No. 2 seed in the OAC Tournament.

would be the most appropriate way to conclude their collegiate careers.

"It [winning an OAC title] would be essentially the best feeling in the world," said Riccardi. "We've worked [so] hard all four years, and it would be the best payoff."

"We've proved [over the last four seasons] that John Carroll can contend with the best the OAC has to offer," said Danilov. "It's a very exciting time for us seniors; we've worked so hard these past four years and going out with another OAC Tournament title would mean the world to us."

The John Carroll class of 2012 concluded the regular season with an overall record of 107-53, and is the first senior class in program

history to record four consecutive winning seasons. The senior class was also influential in helping the Blue Streaks softball program reach the top of the OAC mountain with the school's first tournament championship in 2010, followed up by the program's first regular season championship in 2011.

This upcoming Friday and Saturday in Ada, Ohio, the Blue and Gold will search for their second OAC Tournament championship in three seasons, and potentially a birth to the NCAA softball tournament.

Game times and complete Ohio Athletic Conference tournament information can be found at www.OAC.org, with postgame stories and stats available on www.jcusports.com.

Track and field teams end season with impressive finishes at OACs

Gabriella Kreuz
Staff Writer

Men’s track and field

In most seasons, men’s team scores of 76 and 73 for the John Carroll University track and field teams would be enough for a top-five finish at the Ohio Athletic Conference Championships. Despite the efforts by the Blue Streaks, the men’s and women’s teams finished in sixth and eighth place, respectively, this past weekend at the OAC Championships in Wilmington, Ohio.

On the men’s side, junior Mike Minjock jumped a 2012 NCAA Division III-best 7.46 meters to win his first OAC title in the long jump event. Minjock also picked up third place finishes in both the triple jump and 100-meter dash events as well.

“I knew I was ready physically and mentally and I had my best performance of the season,” said Minjock. “My goal is to be the national champion. I feel great, and after the way conference went, I expect to perform even better at the national championships.”

Senior Steven Borowy earned All-OAC status by finishing in third place in the javelin throw event, with a personal best of 52.40 meters. In the pole vault, sophomore Cory Biro cleared 4.25 meters to lock in an eighth place finish.

In the lengthy 10,000-meter run, senior Jake Smith claimed first place while junior Nick Wojtasik came in at seventh place with respective times of 32:11 and 33:15.

“A conference championship had always been one of my goals,” said Smith on his

first-ever OAC title. “As the season went on and I kept getting better, I was excited that I finally had the chance to win.”

In the 4x800-meter relay, the quartet of freshman John Cameron, junior Pat Burns, junior Anthony Colbert and sophomore Vadim Spasiuk took home a fifth-place finish with a time of 7:58.639, just .006 behind fourth.

Senior Will Rial stepped his game up in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, as he took third place with a finish time of 9:40.92, good enough to earn all-OAC status. He ran 9:40.92 for a third place finish for all-OAC status.

At the end of the two-day event, the Blue Streaks finished in sixth place with 76 total team points. Powerhouse Mount Union came out on top with 143 points, while Baldwin-Wallace (115 points), Ohio Northern (112), Heidelberg (98) and Marietta (93) finished in second through fifth place, respectively.

Zach Mentz
Sports Editor

Women’s track and field

Despite only finishing in eighth place out of 10 teams this past weekend at the Ohio Athletic Conference Championships, the John Carroll University women’s track and field team put together numerous impressive performances, bringing a close to another exciting year for the Blue Streaks.

With the OAC Championships taking place in Wilmington, Ohio, the Blue Streaks were led by freshman Emily Mapes and sophomore Gabriella Kreuz. Mapes finished in first place in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with an impressive finish time of 11:00.24, while Kreuz also finished in first place in the 1,500-meter run and a final time of 4:40.83. Because of her performance, Kreuz was named the Dave

Lehman Most Outstanding Distance Athlete Award winner.

“I didn’t really anticipate being honored with that kind of award so soon, especially at the OAC Championships,” said Kreuz. “It was just one of those occasions where my brain and body were on the same page, and I ran the way my coaches and teammates believed I could all along.”

In the 4x800-meter relay event, junior Maureen Creighton, freshman Haley Turner and sophomores Nicki Bohrer and Kreuz claimed first place with a time of 9:19.94, a mark eight seconds better than the next. The same quartet also finished in third place in the 4x400-meter relay with a time of 4:06.29

Senior Megan Lutz also reeled in more points for the Blue Streaks as she finished in fifth place in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 18:28.28.

“I always missed practice during its normal time and spent most of the season running at night by myself,” said Lutz. “But the coaches, especially [assistant coach] Kyle Basista, really worked with me to make my last season a possibility.

Mapes finished just behind Lutz, in sixth place, with a finish time of 18:19.27.

The University of Mount Union Purple Raiders won the OAC Championships with a collective 146 points, while Baldwin-Wallace (101 points) and Marietta took second and third place, respectively. JCU finished in eighth with a total of 73 points.

The Blue Streaks are still a young team and should have an exciting year again next spring.



Senior Will Rial and the rest of the men’s and women’s track and field teams turned in plenty of noteworthy performances this past weekend.

JCU tennis teams gain steam heading into OAC Tournament

Zach Mentz
Sports Editor

Men’s tennis

The John Carroll University men’s tennis team has caught fire recently, ending the 2012 regular season by winning three of their final four matches. The Blue Streaks first defeated the Marietta Pioneers by a shutout score of 9-0 on Thursday, April 26 before also defeating the Heidelberg Student Princes by a score of 7-2 on Sunday, April 29.

Against Marietta, the highlight performance perhaps came in No. 1 doubles, when

juniors Ryan Mullaney and Rico Certo paired up to defeat their opponents by a dominating score of 8-0. Mullaney also won his No. 1 singles match by a score of 6-0, 6-1.

Against Heidelberg, the Blue Streaks dropped two of the six singles matches before winning each of the three doubles matches, giving themselves an impressive 7-2 win over the Student Princes.

After winning three of their last four matches, the Blue Streaks earned the No. 5 seed in the Ohio Athletic Conference Tournament. The Blue and Gold were set to take on the No. 4 seed Mount Union Purple Raiders on Tuesday, May 1.

Women’s tennis

Winning has become contagious as of late for the John Carroll University women’s tennis team. Coming into last week with a five-match winning streak, the Blue Streaks (12-3, 7-1 OAC) continued their excellent play with consecutive wins over the Marietta Pioneers and the ‘Berg of Heidelberg University by identical scores of 8-1.


Taking on the Pioneers in Marietta, Ohio on Thursday, April 26, the Blue Streaks were dominant from start to finish. Senior Cassie Simmelink won her No. 1 singles match by a score of 8-1 before teaming with freshman

Tracy Gibson to win their No. 1 doubles match by a score of 8-2.


Against the ‘Berg of Heidelberg on Saturday, April 28, the Blue Streaks ended their season with another win added to their tally as they defeated the visiting ‘Berg by a score of 8-1.


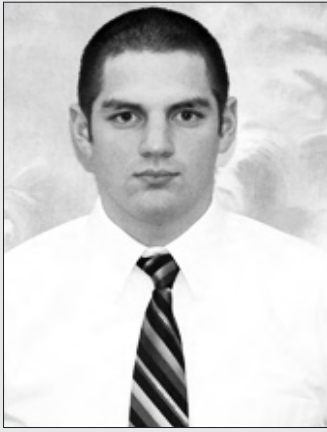



As the No. 2 seed in the OAC Tournament, the Blue Streaks were set to compete against the No. 7 seed Capital Crusaders at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1.

Editors Note: The women’s team won 9-0 vs. Capital on Tuesday. For updates on the men’s tennis team, please go to www.jcusports.com



STREAKS OF THE WEEK



 <div>Softball ⚡⚡⚡ Erin Riccardi senior</div> <p>Riccardi recorded seven hits in 14 at-bats this past week while helping lead the Blue Streaks to a 3-1 record in four games, good enough to clinch the No. 2 seed in the upcoming OAC Tournament.</p>	 <div>Baseball ⚡⚡⚡ Aaron Miller junior</div> <p>The junior catcher collected four hits in seven at-bats while also scoring one run this past weekend against the Heidelberg Student Princes, where the Blue Streaks were swept in consecutive games.</p>	 <div>Tennis ⚡⚡⚡ Cassie Simmelink senior</div> <p>Simmelink helped lead the Blue Streaks to a 3-0 mark this past week while also going 6-0 individually in both singles and doubles competition, also earning her OAC Player of the Week.</p>	 <div>Track & Field ⚡⚡⚡ Mike Minjock junior</div> <p>Minjock claimed first place this past weekend at the OAC Championships as he posted a 2012 NCAA DIII-best 7.46 meters in the long jump event while also taking third place in two other events.</p>	 <div>Track & Field ⚡⚡⚡ Emily Mapes freshman</div> <p>The freshman picked up a first-place finish this past weekend at the OAC Championships as she posted a time of 11:00.24 in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, 16 seconds better than the next placer.</p>
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Firing Lane



Sam Lane
World News Editor

Generation overload

What are we doing right now? How are we feeling? What are we going to do with our lives? These are all questions that I put forth to my generation of Americans. As you may remember, you were the focus of my writings last week. Well, I must tell you that I am a little dry on things to talk about this week. Therefore, I feel that as we head into the summer, I could send you off with some thoughts. In a way, this could be considered the second part of my generation analysis.

As I attacked the lack of concern for the political awareness among the youth, I acknowledged that many were too busy to pay attention. Listen to the second part. It is true, young Americans are too busy today. In some ways they are ambitious, but not ambitious in the sense of achievements beyond extraordinary means. Instead, it is all a matter of trying to keep their heads above water. Everyday, the focus of college-educated students is where and when can they get a job. Those below this level of education can almost forget about any career beyond mediocre. What happened to those bright American days, President Ronald Reagan’s “shining city on a hill”?

It is still unclear what some Americans are looking for today, because they are mostly pre-occupied with getting through it. I have found myself being told by some older Americans to not be in such a hurry, to simply stop and enjoy life. That sounds great! Personally, I would love to be in the mid-1980s and 1990s (excluding the outdated music). Many of the youthful worries were minimal: you could get a job, sometimes not even high-stress ones, make a reasonable-to-great living and still enjoy a fun social life. It is true that a lifestyle like this cannot last forever, but when you are young and foolish, it is quite complementary. Now the social life you have is your job, and the benefits are not all that rewarding. If you take a little time to relax, you suddenly derail. So that is what my generation, unfortunately, has to say to that piece of advice.

In that case, it is a curious matter when it comes to determining what will become of this next generation of Americans when it comes to their country. It does appear evident that pride has gone down, but not in a matter of disgust with the nation as it was 30 years ago. Instead, it is more along the lines of pure indifference. To this next generation, the U.S. is just the country in which they were born and will continue to reside. The glory days of joining traditional patriotic causes such as the armed forces out of pride are gone, replaced by those who have no other outlet. Perhaps the youth of today will be a lot like the people of post-war Britain – just getting on with their lives, and electing representatives who serve their best interests. Yes, these could be the signs of American austerity.

I am by no means saying that America is leaving its heyday behind. That may have already happened, depending on how you look at it. Our technology-driven society has definitely cut down on our more genuine gifts. The aspects that have made us Americans are beginning to fade away. Many would claim that this is a bad thing, but the truth is this was bound to happen one way or another.

So this is where I leave you off for the summer, and hopefully something can spark in the next few months. But for now, it seems young Americans are just trying to make it through one day at a time.

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Potential VPs line up to be Romney’s No. 2

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Eleven months into his bid for the White House, Mitt Romney is no longer getting questions concerning President Obama’s health care plan. This week, the million-dollar question for the GOP candidate seems to be “who wants to be vice president,” and there seem to be many takers. While vice presidential hopefuls of the past seem to have lobbied for the job in a more behind-the-scenes manner, this year’s race has given the public a front-row seat into potential candidates vying to become Romney’s right-hand man or woman.

The 2008 choice of little-known governor Sarah Palin by then-GOP nominee John McCain appeared to be fatal to his campaign for president, as questions and doubt arose concerning Palin’s preparedness for the White House. Four years later, Democrats determined to reelect Obama have pushed to remind voters of McCain’s choice, by publicizing the book and HBO movie, “Game Change,” which chronicles Palin’s attempt as McCain’s running mate.

Regardless of what happened in 2008, Romney’s potential veeps are surfacing in the public arena in all forms.

Last week, Florida Sen. Marco Rubio discussed his foreign policy views at the Brookings Institution. Rubio has been marked with one major advantage: his pull with the Hispanic vote. The senator showed that the position is on his mind with a Freudian slip two weeks ago in an interview with The National Journal. “If in four to five years,



Photo from AP

Mitt Romney campaigns with potential VP prospect Sen. Marco Rubio

if I do a good job as vice president — I’m sorry, as senator — I’ll have the chance to do all sorts of things,” he said.

The following morning, Wisconsin Rep. Paul Ryan gave an address on budget policy at Georgetown University, and South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley is on the road promoting her memoirs. While the former said he’d consider the role, Gov. Haley said her heart remains devoted to the people of her state, and she’d politely refuse the job. Sen. Rob Portman of Ohio, nicknamed the “Vice-President Vanilla” by Politico, stated last week via the Romney campaign that Obama was coming to his state’s capital to “argue for four more years of the same failed policies.” Portman

would give Romney an edge, however, because of his budget experience and the fact that he’s from Ohio, which decided the 2004 presidential race.

Gov. Bob McDonnell has reserved ad time in his state of Virginia, all of which feature his record as governor. McDonnell is term limited and will not be able to run for governor again, and is claiming that he represents a constituency with whom Romney needs help (the South).

With all of these varying choices at hand, Romney will have to decide what exactly he wants in a vice presidential candidate before picking any of the anxiously (and some not so anxiously) waving hands.

How the potential VPs stack up against each other

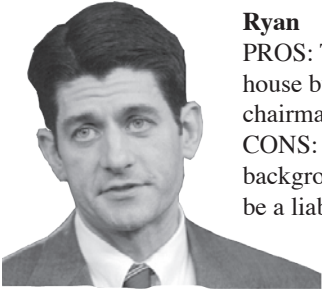
Haley
PROS: Female governor of Indian descent
CONS: Low approval ratings (mid 30s)



Portman
PROS: Previous experience with George W. Bush, can help carry Ohio
CONS: Little flare to assist the introverted Romney



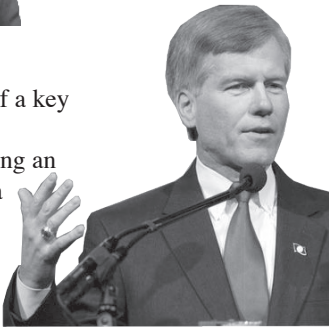
Rubio
PROS: Youth and appeal to Latinos, beneficial for carrying Florida
CONS: Vocal extreme conservatism



Ryan
PROS: Telegenic house budget chairman
CONS: Budget background may be a liability



McDonnell
PROS: Governor of a key battleground state
CONS: Bill requiring an ultrasound before a woman obtains an abortion was not widely accepted.



Violence in Syria continues

Katherine Warner
Staff Reporter

Violence in Syria has been the prevalent theme throughout the Arab world since late 2011 and has continued to escalate to alarming terms through 2012. In the month of April alone, the death toll has risen to disturbing numbers and the country stands on the precipice of a civil war.

The fighting that started almost a year ago exists between the government led by President Bashar Assad and rebel forces opposed to his violent and oppressive regime. These rebel forces consist of political activists, grassroots organizers and armed militants. According to The New York Times, “The conflict is complicated by Syria’s ethnic divisions. The Assads (the president) and much of the nation’s elite, especially the military, belong to the Alawite sect, a minority in a mostly Sunni country. Alawites constitute about 12 percent of the 23 million Syrians. Sunni Muslims, the opposition’s

backbone, make up about 75 percent of the population.”

Despite numerous calls for a cease-fire and an end to the fighting, the current situation of the nation still sees armed combat from both sides. In early April, President Assad signed an agreement to a six-point peace plan which outlined the strategy for implementing a cease-fire. Shortly after the plan went into effect, the violence was reported to have dropped significantly. In not pulling back the armed militants, the government sends a clear sign to the rebels that the government is not willing to withdraw completely, allowing them to continue their rebuttals.

Last Thursday, as reported in The Times, a large number of Syrian civilians died in a poor neighborhood of Hama after their houses crushed down on them. The opposition activists called it a massacre, saying intensive government shelling collapsed a row of cinder-block shanties, killing around 70 people.

The opposition continues to respond to these acts of violence as, on Monday, the

rebels were reported to have fired antitank rockets at the office of the Central Bank in Damascus and detonated two bombs close to a military compound in the northern city of Idlib. More than 20 people were killed in these acts of violence.

With the threat of a full-scale civil war looming closer every day, the United Nations and the Arab League have teamed up to intervene with a solution to the tensions. Their consensus was to send an envoy of observers to Syria to observe the situation and see to it that the six-point peace plan was fully implemented.

According to The Press Association, “The joint UN-Arab League envoy said the speedy deployment of the 300-strong UN observer force authorized by the council on Saturday was ‘crucial’ to verify what was happening on the ground and potentially ‘change the political dynamics.’ The observer force would also provide the international community with ‘incontrovertible’ information to increase pressure for a ceasefire by the government and opposition.”



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Clinton comes to the rescue

In case you had any doubts, don't. Bill Clinton is fully on board with President Barack Obama's re-election effort. "Barack Obama deserves to be re-elected President of the United States," the former president said Sunday night, as he joined the current officeholder at a fund raiser for the Obama re-election campaign. The former president can help the current White House occupant in a number of ways: Clinton's an extremely talented political strategist and surrogate who can campaign for the president in places such as the Rust Belt and parts of rural America where Obama may not be so popular. With the economy remaining the top issue on the minds of Americans, someone like Clinton touting Obama could remind them of better economic times. (CNN)

President Obama marks one year anniversary of Bin Laden killing

President Barack Obama said Tuesday, in a speech delivered from a U.S. base in Afghanistan, that the goal of defeating Al Qaeda is "within our reach." "The goal that I set, to defeat Al Qaeda and deny it a chance to rebuild, is now within our reach," he said. Obama zipped through Afghanistan Tuesday on a previously unannounced visit, signing a key partnership document with Afghan President Hamid Karzai as he prepared to deliver an address to the nation on the anniversary of Osama bin Laden's death. In excerpts released in advance of the address, the president made sweeping statements about the course and eventual conclusion of the Afghanistan and Iraq wars. (Fox News)



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Murdoch: Hacking scandal cost millions

On Thursday, Rupert Murdoch said he had spent "hundreds of millions of dollars" to clean-up the legal and ethical mess caused by phone-hacking at the now-shuttered News of the World tabloid. "I pledged I would clean it up, and I did. I have spent hundreds of millions of dollars ... We had electronically examined 300 million emails ... and anything that was faintly suspicious was passed to the police," he told a public inquiry into media ethics in Britain. The furor is the latest blow to Prime Minister David Cameron's government after a month in which he has lurched from crisis to crisis, garnering a slew of negative headlines and raising questions over his leadership. (MSNBC)

French election moves to next round

Shannon Parker
Staff Reporter

A runoff election Sunday, May 6 will decide whether Socialist Francois Hollande will be the next president of France, or if Nicholas Sarkozy will retain the position. According to the Associated Press, there is not a single poll in the country that currently has Sarkozy winning on Sunday.

Sarkozy promised financial reforms to help France compete in the global economy, but like the leaders of many countries, his record has suffered greatly under the world-wide recession of 2008. It doesn't help Sarkozy's case that he has been seen as caring more about the CEOs of companies and their owners, than about the everyday workers, while France's unemployment rate soared to nearly 10 percent.

Unlike Sarkozy, who has become identified with being friendly to the wealthy, Hollande's platform much more resembles that of President Obama. Holland would close the gap on economic inequality with steeper taxes on the wealthy, including large companies and banks, even as high as 75 percent. He claims he will even cut his own pay as president, as well as that of his ministers by 30 percent.

Hollande's Jan. 22 speech laid it out plainly. The keystone of Hollande's platform is fairness. He said, "The French people must know that as president I will ask only one question: Before every extra effort, before every reform, every decision, every law, every decree, I will ask myself one single question: 'Is it fair?'"

Millions are rallying to ensure that Sarkozy does not win another term, especially leftist groups and unions. "Without workers, there would be no bosses," said Christine Delorme, a 57-year-old factory worker marching Tuesday at a leftist May Day rally in Toulouse, one of many union-led marches around France.



Photo from AP

Socialist Party candidate Francois Hollande greets supporters as he campaigns. Hollande is going into the second round of the presidential election against President Nicolas Sarkozy, a member of the Union Popular Movement.

"I'm here to say no to Sarkozy, the president of the rich. We don't want that anymore."

Far from the strong, confident swagger that carried Sarkozy to victory in 2007, he is now publicly contemplating defeat at the hands of Hollande, whom he finished one percent behind in the first vote.

Sarkozy said on RMC radio, "I will fight with all my strength to win your confidence, to protect and lead you and build a strong France, but if that is not your choice, I will bow out. That's the way it is, and I will have had a great life in politics [...] I'll do something else; I don't know what."

Many of Sarkozy's people are jumping ship. According to the Associated Press, two aides and three senior government ministry

employees have quit, and taken less political jobs.

Despite what some may consider a defeatist attitude, Sarkozy is not done yet. The far right wing Marie Le Pen finished third in the first round of voting, and Sarkozy will most likely pick up those voters, even though Le Pen refused to throw her support behind him, telling her supporters to vote for whomever they wish.

The second advantage Sarkozy may have is the final presidential debate. Sarkozy is an expert speaker, performing well in debates, while Hollande has been described as flustered at recent events.

All of these factors have guaranteed that the election cannot be predicted too early.

Human rights showdown awaits Clinton in Beijing

The Associated Press

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton arrived Wednesday in Beijing, where a tense human rights showdown awaits over the fate of a blind Chinese lawyer said to be under U.S. protection after escaping from house arrest.

The issue of Chen Guangcheng's future threatens to overshadow this year's round of high-level strategic and economic talks between the world's two biggest economic powers. Those talks begin Thursday.

Publicly, the U.S. and Chinese governments have said nothing about the Chen case. Neither side wants the biggest human-rights issue between the two since Tiananmen Square to damage a working relationship between the world's top importer and exporter, and between the world's biggest military and the fastest developing.

Chen, a 40-year-old lawyer who exposed forced abortions and sterilizations as part of China's one-child policy, was delivered into the protection of U.S. diplomats in Beijing late last week, according to fellow activists. Questioned on Chen's future, President Barack Obama on Monday dodged the issue at a Washington news conference, declining to confirm that he was under U.S. protection in China or that American diplomats were attempting to negotiate an agreement for him to receive asylum.

The president's options are limited. Pressing the issue too hard may prompt a backlash from China, which the U.S. relies on for foreign capital and support in trying to lead the global economic recovery, deal with North Korea and Iran's nuclear programs and prevent a potential war between Sudan and South Sudan.

But facing a tough fight for re-election in November, Obama cannot afford to ignore the situation. Doing nothing to help a visually impaired, self-taught lawyer who has fought against forced abortions and corruption in China would open Obama to attacks from his presumed Republican opponent, Mitt Romney.

Romney and several Republican lawmakers already have demanded that Obama not back down to Beijing. Handing over Chen without adequate safeguards would also draw intense criticism from the human rights community in the United States.

"The U.S. government has a moral obligation to ensure that Chen Guangcheng, his family and any who aided his Houdini-like escape from house arrest are either granted asylum in the United States or are not mistreated if any of them choose to stay in China," said Frank Jannuzi, head of Amnesty International's Washington office.

Activists say Chen prefers to stay in China if his safety and that of his family can be guaranteed. That would require national leaders to step in and protect Chen from local officials, who've kept him and his wife confined at home since his Sept. 2010 release from four years in prison on charges that supporters say were fabricated.

Clinton also declined to talk Monday about Chen, but said she would raise human rights issues at the upcoming meetings in Beijing.

"A constructive relationship includes talking very frankly about those areas where we do not agree, including human rights," she told reporters.

Activists said the top U.S. diplomat for Asia, Kurt Campbell, had been in intensive discussions in Beijing to strike a deal for Chen before Clinton and Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner's arrival. Those efforts were continuing Tuesday, according to activists. There is still more work to be done either way.

GE looks to the 'land down under'

Patrick Tarkey
Staff Reporter

As General Electric continues to grow, the company is finding that China may not be the treasure chest they once assumed it would be. Recently, the company has turned its attention to Australia. When you look at the growth the company has made in the "outback" it is clear why.

Australia, a country with a population of 22 million, is set to create more revenue in the industrial conglomerate sector this year than China, with a population of 1.3 billion.

And while GE is not giving up on China completely, the projected revenues the company had hoped China would generate are just not being realized.

CEO Jeff Immelt set a goal of earning \$10 billion in revenue in China by 2010. As of right now, the company is barely past the halfway mark.

Immelt believes that this is because of China's strict contract policies and the 50/50 joint venture the company is currently involved in. Vice Chairman John Rice, who is currently

stationed in Hong Kong, believes this 50/50 joint venture causes projects to not only "take longer

to put together," but also to take "longer to mature than a company that has full ownership."

This is why Australia is so appealing. Their reliable legal system and free markets allow GE to grow much faster and produce much higher revenues than they have been in the Asian country.

In GE's first quarter, the company announced a 26 percent increase in industrial revenues in Australia, which was eight percent higher than the rise in China. Overall, Australia exceeded China's revenue for GE by \$100 million, bringing in \$5.8 billion to

the company.

Another major attraction to Australia is a \$34 billion liquified natural gas project called Ichthys. Recently, Immelt has invested heavily in energy, and it now accounts for about one-third of the company's revenue.

The company has spent \$9 billion acquiring companies that provide services to oil and gas producers.

This is why the Ichthys project is perfect for GE's growth in Australia. Nearly 560 miles off the northern coast of Australia; it is one of many projects that will push Australia into the lead as the world's largest exporter of liquid natural gas.

While China will soon become the world's largest economy and possibly have over 1.5 billion people in its population, Rice says it is still a close call to see whether Australia or China will bring in more Revenue for GE over the next few years.



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The Wall Street Journal: Market volatility hurting hedge funds

Anthony Ahlegian
Staff Reporter

There are many different financial instruments that are available for accredited investors to utilize in the hopes of gaining returns. One of these alternative investments is called a hedge fund.

These actively managed funds have many different strategies, including "taking advantage of events" and "negating the impact and risk of general market movements."

However, The Wall Street Journal reports that recent market volatility, or uncertainty, has been "hurting some hedge funds' performance."

The WSJ reports that last year, when "the market swung wildly but ended the year flat," equity hedge funds had one of their worst annual performances of the past decade.

Hedge Fund Research Inc., a corporation that specializes in the analysis and indexation of hedge fund performance, reported that hedge funds were down about 8.4 percent in 2011.

This is the worst since 2008, another year of strong market volatility, when hedge funds' performance fell 27 percent.

When the markets "calmed in the first quarter of this year," hedge funds "turned in

their strongest performance in the period in a decade – a 7.3 percent gain," reports The WSJ.

An example of this "bounce back" is the performance of the hedge fund T2 Partners, which manages \$260 million in assets. According to The WSJ, they were down 23 percent at the end of 2011.

When the markets calmed down in the first three months of 2012, T2 Partners "had their best quarter in more than 13 years," with a 24 percent gain.

According to The WSJ, market volatility returned earlier this April, "amid renewed concerns over Europe's debt crisis, concerns regarding the strength of the U.S. economy and doubts about China's growth."

Vidak Radonjic, a hedge fund advisor from Beryl Consulting Group, LLC, said, "The party's over in terms of returns."

Evidence of this volatility is shown by the six triple-digit moves in the Dow Jones Industrial Average, a price-weighted average of 30 significant stocks traded on the New

York Stock Exchange and the Nasdaq, between April 1 and April 17.

The WSJ reports that this amount of fluctuation of that magnitude is equal to how many there were in the "three previous months combined." U.S.-based hedge funds responded with a median annual return from April 1 to April 13 of -0.92 percent.

Volatility in the market can hurt hedge funds' returns by increasing the correlation among stocks, regardless of their underlying fundamentals.

These fundamentals are what hedge fund managers rely on when they are creating their portfolios and "deciding which

stocks to bet will go up or down," according to The WSJ.

Hedge fund managers are hoping to learn from their mistakes last year, and take into account possible upcoming turmoil when making their investment decisions.

Robert Duscolo of PineBridge Investments, which invests \$3.3 billion in hedge funds for clients, said, "Things are much better than they were last year, when we had the lows in the market."

"The party's over in terms of returns."

– Vidak Radonjic
Hedge fund advisor

Barnes & Noble stock surges due to Microsoft's investment

Patrick Burns
Staff Reporter

In a world where iPads, Kindles and all kinds of different e-readers are becoming more prevalent, Microsoft has decided to boost the likes of Barnes & Noble's Nook product. Microsoft is investing \$605 million into the product in hopes of becoming a more competitive player in the market.

In return for their capital, Microsoft is receiving a 17.6 percent stake in the company, which includes the e-book and college bookstores divisions.

This negotiation has been incredibly generous to Barnes & Noble and their shareholders. Just this past Monday, the stock saw a tremendous gain of 52 percent, which rose the price to \$20.75 per share.

Barnes & Noble has struggled over the past few years, and this closing price was the highest that was seen in the past two years. So perhaps this stock has done a lot in one day, but will it see any future returns?

The Nook has several possible objectives in mind which, if successful, may create benefits

for the stock. Barnes & Noble, as part of the agreement, will create a Nook reading app for Windows 8.

By doing so, the Nook product exposes itself to a whole wave of customers who might not have access to it without the app. This opens up more potential sales of e-books and more revenues for Barnes & Noble.

On a recent measure of 2012 market share for e-books, Barnes & Noble stacks up at an impressive 27 percent.

However, they are trailing far behind Amazon, who has claimed 60 percent of the market



From wsj.net

Microsoft is making a sizable commitment – \$605 million – to the Barnes & Noble e-reader, The Nook.

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Andrew Martin
Business & Finance Editor

Coming soon to a Business & Finance section near you

Alas, the time has come for the last issue of The Carroll News for the semester. This being said, it is now time to prepare for the next school year and the future of the Business & Finance section.

I have gauged student interest in various topics and have decided on a few directions the section will take in the fall of 2012. Music and sports are two of the most popular things on the planet.

With that influence and popularity on the world comes the business side. There are many financial factors involving music and sports in our world today. Many have heard their favorite athlete while going through a contract dispute say, "It's a business" or something along these lines.

The Carroll News will take a closer look at business decisions of ownership of top sports franchises and the music industry. A large amount of the JCU student body calls the Boler School of Business home.

With such a large student population in the business school, the newspaper should shed some light on what to expect in the business world.

This guidance can begin during the student's college years as well as going forward. Expect to see a Q&A with a JCU alum with his/her recommendations for current business students as well as insight of the current corporate world.

Many students trying to decide what is best for their future have difficulty choosing a field of study. Something I have noticed during my time in the business school is the uncertainty of a major within the Boler School.

Students can look for an article discussing the areas of business with the most need. In addition, readers can look for an article about the highest paying careers after college and what is required to land these jobs. Fall 2012 will also show a greater focus on the stock market. The Business & Finance section will be focusing on any particularly "hot" or "cold" stocks.

In other words, the most impressive stocks, and most disappointing, will be reported. The section will still cover any important events in the business world, but there are fresh items on the way for the 2012-2013 school year.

As always, this is your student newspaper. Any recommendations or suggestions for what you would like to learn about in the business world are welcome.

Keeping up to date on the world of business is important for everyone, business major or not. There is always something we can learn, and the same can be said of the business world.

For example, everyone will be involved with the stock market in some capacity, even if to just prepare for retirement. When buying a home, you will need to take out a mortgage and take notice of the housing market along with interest rates.

Any students interested in politics should also keep up to date with the latest in business. It is often said that politics always affects business, and the importance of the two cannot be ignored.

The world of business and finance can be a very difficult and complex area to understand completely. The goal of the Business & Finance section is to help JCU students learn more about the financial world in which they live. Business major or not, everyone deals with finances and corporate America.

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THE CARROLL NEWS CLASS OF 2012



Reflections of a college graduate

A Poem by Pat Perkins
Former Business and Finance Editor
Dinosaur Supervisor

When I joined The Carroll News,
I didn't know what I was getting into

I wanted to do it for my resume,
But I got more out of it, I felt new.

The people I met,
the experiences I had

I might leave and feel sad,
But then I'll be glad.



Bring it on

Emily Gaffney
Former Editor-in-Chief
Future President of the United States

Good-byes are the hardest part of life. These are the best years of your life. When you're in the real world, you'll wish you were back in school.

These are among the many clichés that seem to come with the ending of any chapter in life, especially with graduations.

But I don't think there should be a somber tone on the ending of a chapter. A chapter in a book, the ending a chapter in life should be exciting – we should enjoy the moment right in front of us, but be excited about what is yet to come.

I have enjoyed this chapter of college life maybe more than I expected. John Carroll University wasn't my dream school, but I think it ended up being the right school.

Soundtrack to your life

Jennifer Holton
Former Managing Editor
Currently Nabil's Girlfriend
Forever Theta

Four years ago, I sat in a crowded Murphy dorm room getting worked up over writing the perfect start for a story on the Twilight saga and subsequent vampire craze. I was relentless, trying to come up with an attention-grabbing lead that was going to convince Carroll News readers that I was the next it-girl entertainment writer.

And then, I took a political science class.

Instead of dreaming of being the next Giuliana Rancic, I became wrapped up in the Hollywood drama that is politics. It lead me to Washington this semester, a town that craves ambition, wealth and young minds like a Leviathan. Just as easily as I was sucked into the thrill of writing for The Carroll News in 2008, D.C. became my muse for a life post-Carroll, and I would have never had the latter opportunity had it not been for the former.

Because of this, it seemed appropriate to dedicate my final column to my CN experience, but I don't want to limit my final published words in this newspaper to just that. Instead, I found it more worth my words to leave the rest of you with good old-fashioned advice. I'm not saying take it; just read it, and

do with it.
1. Politics is not just a game, it's a way of life. At some point, you'll get out of the comfort zone and find yourself in the middle of a political storm. For me, it was the semester I wrote about the strange world of politics. It's not about the money, it's about the power. I wouldn't have known it then, but it doesn't matter how much money you have if you don't have the power. Every one of us has the potential to be a leader. 2. Stay focused. Don't let the distractions of college life get in the way of your goals. College is a time to learn, grow, and discover who you are. Don't let the distractions of college life get in the way of your goals.



What I learned in school today

Michael Reiser
Former World News Editor
Mayor of John Carroll

As someone who is considering teaching as a career, I think about the philosophy of education often. Perhaps the most important question is which is the best method for knowledge to pass from instructor to student?

Over the past four years here at JCU, I have received a multi-thousand dollar education crash course into my larger-than-average head.

He's got skills

Ben DeVictor
Former Arts & Life Editor
Former Diversions Editor
Part-time Model

John Carroll University, being the prestigious university that it is, has undoubtedly prepared me for the next phase of my life. I am ready and fully prepared to step into the outside world, a college graduate with a degree in Economics.

The world is my oyster, and I plan to make the most of the rest of my life, by utilizing

the invaluable talents and skills that my John Carroll career has granted me.

First, I think I'll try starting an underground fight club. Being young and limber, I think this would be the best time to apply my skills that I've acquired playing hours upon hours of video games, specifically Super Smash Bros. Melee.

Over the past four years, I have mastered twenty-five different fighting styles, from Dr. Mario to Ness, and these talents would make me an unbeatable opponent in the ring. Plus, I don't mean to brag, but I'm pretty good with Falco. The John Carroll community has helped nurture this talent, and I thank them for that.

Next, I think I'll use my experience abroad

in London. I plan to become a professional fighter. My first fight will be more than just a fight, it has meaning. It's on Washington. I'll be a pint glass to every one's eyes. Hopefully, I'll be his own boss. After that, I'll be a musician. Their guitar playing is unparalleled. "Wonderful" don't I think I'm already



I wanted to go to school in Washington, D.C. It had been my dream for as long as I can remember, but it was too expensive and, frankly, I was scared to go that far away so soon. I ended up at John Carroll because I liked the school, but also because it was a bit closer to home and a more realistic investment.

Because of JCU, I've had the opportunity to see the president speak, to see Sen. Sherrod Brown here on campus, to see "Meet the Press" in action, to learn what it means to be a journalist, to see my name in print and serve as the editor in chief of The award-winning

Carroll News.

These are experience I may not have had elsewhere. I'm not a sentimental person, but I am grateful to John Carroll for my education and the opportunities it has provided me.

So here is my advice to the rest of you with college years still ahead of you: take advantage of every opportunity that JCU presents to you, move outside your comfort zone, and think about the future.

Joining The Carroll News was outside of my comfort zone. I'm not an extremely outgoing person and the newspaper initially intimidated me. However, I did it anyway

because it was my dream to become a journalist. I envisioned myself as a Bob Woodward or Carl Bernstein, like "All the President's Men" and like the White House press pool in "The West Wing." It was my dream so I made myself do it and it has been my favorite part of my Carroll experience. I became friends with people I probably would not have met otherwise and it made me feel as though I can achieve my dream one day.

So try doing something new in your time left here at JCU and enjoy it, but look forward to what comes next.

I don't know where I'll be next year, but

I still can't wait. Part of me is terrified, but, whatever happens in the next chapter and in the chapter after that, I'm going to make the most of it. I choose to believe that goodbyes can be a good thing, that these aren't the best years of my life, and that I won't regret being out of school.

I choose to believe that good-byes mean I get to move onto a new chapter in life, the best part of life will be whatever comes next and that I'll find something meaningful to do in life that won't make me regret no longer being a student. To whatever comes next: Bring it on.

it what you may. Push yourself out of your comfort zone. Sometimes, people have to leave their comfort zones for purpose of comfort in taking on a new challenge. It was getting out of Cleveland this year and going on my own to live with friends and work in a new city. I was honestly not excited about it, but I learned more about myself and the real world than I ever have had I stayed. Your comfort zone always stay comfortable, so it's important to make (moderately) drastic changes once in a while.

Stick with your friends. I say this, because they are going to be what make your career. Find your group of friends, and

make it your family away from home; they will be what make you homesick for Carroll when you go home on breaks. They will be the reasons for the fun nights, and they will be forgiving, even if you name-drop them in the student newspaper for being "overly charming" with women. But above all else, they will be the people you want to be with, regardless of where you are. It's what I missed the most when I was gone this semester, and I realized I am either horrible at making friends, or I am just so in love with my own that I'm not ready to make new ones yet.

3. Remember that you can do anything, but not everything. Don't exhaust yourself over trying to be the best at everything, because there will always be someone who will be able

to do it better than you. Choose your goals in quality, not quantity.

4. Stay out late. Take the late nights over the concept of "early to bed, early to rise," because that can be saved for later in life. Besides, no one looks back on their life and remembers the nights they had plenty of sleep.

5. Be selfish. Because there's no better time to be this way than when you're young. Do whatever it is you want to do, when you want to do it, as long as you're not hurting people along the way. Your college years and your twenties are your selfish years, the time to immerse yourself in every single thing possible.

The rest, as they say, can be found in the words of a Cudi album.



My parents graciously paid for me to attend this fine institution (thanks again, Mom and Dad) and in turn I'm going to receive a piece of paper that verifies that Michael Edward Reiser completed the necessary steps in receiving a Bachelor's degree in English. My teachers successfully channeled their knowledge from their brains to mine, and I will use that multi-thousand dollar knowledge to hopefully make what my brain is worth and then some.

This education, though, is not what I will value the most when I leave University Heights. Priceless learning is through personal experience, not sitting at a desk, reading the material, and then funneling that knowledge onto a piece of paper that is then scrutinized to

determine what I've actually "learned." I don't mean to mislead you though. This school has wonderful educators, and I will always value what I have learned in their classrooms.

What I will value above all else from my time at JCU will be what I've learned from my interactions with the people that I've had the luxury to spend the last four years with. The following are some aspects of my learning on which I cannot place a value. Everyone knows making decisions can be hard. But the actual making of the decision is the easy part. Living with the consequences can be a heaven or a hell. If it's a heaven, good for you, but if it's a hell, then all you can do is swallow your mistake and move on.

I've learned that you will have to go to

great lengths to help people succeed at times, like giving yourself a pink mohawk to motivate your students.

I've learned that Pittsburgh sports fans will never become more tolerable nor will they go away – they will only become more intolerable and their concentration will just fluctuate depending on where you are.

I've learned that an ion is a charged particle, but what's even more valuable is that to be truly great at something, you have to keep doing it even if you begin to hate doing it. If you can't overcome this, then it isn't for you.

I've learned many, many, many times, that in Mario Party you have to be conscientious of the Bonus Stars during the main game

Flag tank top, and a mix CD featuring "Party in the USA."

Next, after doing my part to improve the lives of other bros, I'll retire to my beach house, located next to Father Niehoff's vacation home and sit back and think about my time at John Carroll. I'll think about how much the University has helped me grow into the man I am today, how it has connected me with people who I now consider my family, and how it has taught me everything from the philosophy of love to managerial accounting. After that, I'll think about how grateful I am to John Carroll University for everything it has given me.

And after that I'll be Batman.



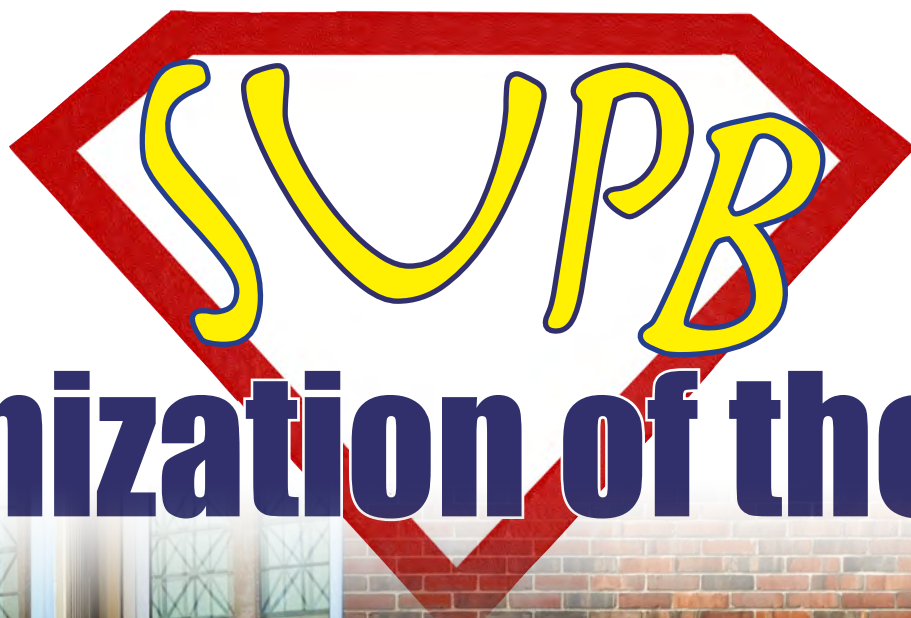
London with the Boler School of Business to become an international businessman. One in Europe has assuredly made me a worldly person, and the Boler School made me just as competent as the people on Wall Street. I'll travel the world, stealing classes from every pub I go to and asking for a restaurant if they have Frank's Red Hot. Fully Dr. Scott Moore will be there with my bottle if I can't find any.

After that, I'll probably finally start my career. Watching countless bros play guitars on the quad has adequately preme to write and perform songs such as "Derwall" and "Save Tonight." Also, I know if you know this, but I'm kind of shy in a band. We're called "The Dudes."

We performed at Carroll Fest. It was pretty sweet. Our performance was described as "audible" and "short." I'm kind of a big deal.

After going platinum a few times, I'll use my now vast amounts of money to become a philanthropist, and start my own organization called "BroAid." John Carroll's Jesuit traditions and the University's greatest institution, HHH, have strengthened my sense of brotherhood.

Living on that third floor of Hamlin taught me that bros need to look out for other bros. I'll travel the country helping bros who are less fortunate than me. The Home Less Steves and Fuzz Lansdales of the world will be given a hot bowl of soup, an American



Organization of the Year

Jennifer Holton
The Carroll News

When the Student Union Programming Board decided to revamp the way JCU would have a spring concert, most of the student population was up in arms over the issue.

What once was a single concert headed by a [mostly] well-known musician was changing essentially into a concert series that took place both on and off-campus.

Better-known by its acronym SUPB, the student-run organization's move in changing the concept of the Spring Concert to "Carroll Fest"—a series of concerts lasting two days with local and student-led bands—is only just the beginning to a different experience, according to Major Events Coordinator Cassie Pacer.

"I feel that Carroll Fest is a more 'organic' music experience," said Pacer, a sophomore.

"By organic, it is mainly run by the students and gives a feel of a true music festival, also including the tie-dye, splatter paint, food vendors, henna tattoos and body art. [It allows] each student to come to the artists at their own convenience, whether or not they were friends with the band, enjoyed that genre or came for the food," she said.



The SUPB Executive Board.

Photo from Facebook

Carroll Fest, the on-campus concert series, took place April 27 and 28, with musical groups that included senior Mike Brownyard's BEDROC.

Before this year's first annual Carroll Fest (C-Fest), students were invited to buy discounted tickets to see bands such as The Black Keys, Eric Church and Hot Chelle Rae in downtown Cleveland throughout the spring semester. The

organization provided transportation for students as well.

"It is unbelievable how much talent we have here at Carroll and around Cleveland, and SUPB was able to showcase it for the students," said Pacer. "It is the musicians that made C-Fest such a great experience for the students."

However, the Spring Concert is not the only change the organization has made this year.

"SUPB has changed the way that they do things this school year by collaborating with more student organizations, creating a more strategic marketing plan and revamping our major events," said VP for Programming Taylor Horen, a junior.

Aside from Carroll Fest, SUPB's annual Kindergarten Night was another popular event this year, drawing a larger audience after the organization invited JCU alum Sam Brenner ('09) to perform during the event.

Among the organization's other popular events throughout the year include Homecoming Weekend, Wing/Spa Night, the Lil' Sibs Carnival and Winter Formal.

For Horen, the enthusiasm exuded by students on the SUPB Executive Board this year seemed to increase the organization's presence on campus in a

positive manner.

"I think through our increased communication with students, listening to student feedback and our willingness to alter major events has been a large part of our success this year," she said.

"I believe our creative ideas for the future will aid SUPB in increasing our presence on campus and improve our reputation even further with students and organizations."

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—Taylor Horen, junior
VP for Programming

Highlights from SUPB's 2011-2012 year



Pizza Palooza
and Game Night



BEDROC at Carroll Fest



Pottery Night

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Earth Day Lunch and Movie Night

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Waste Audit on the Quad

Check out the Keller Commons from 12:00-3:00PM for a waste audit with recycling expert Kathleen Rocco from the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District. We'll also be showcasing our bike co-op and have a WeCar parked in front of the LSC from 10:30-2:00PM!

Water Wednesday

Join UNICEF Club and Aramark staff in the LSC Atrium from 11:00-1:00PM for a water tasting. Be sure to pick up your free reusable Streak Green Week water bottle as well!

Think Green Thursday

Pick up some information on how you can go green! We'll be hosting an information fair in the Atrium during lunch hours with info on sustainability, our bike co-op, nutrition, environmental work through our Center for Service and Social Action., Fair Trade, and more!

Freecycling

Why throw it out when you can donate it? Donate your unwanted items in the Atrium all day Friday. Also be sure to sign up for the tour of Tremco in Beachwood (from 1:30-4:30PM) and stop by the Atrium from 8:00-10:00PM to make a pop can lamp with SUPB!

Cultivating Community Day

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Pun and Games

Rated PG

Q: Why were the police called to the daycare?
A: The kids were resisting a rest.

Q: What is the best way to communicate with a fish?
A: Drop them a line.

Rated PG-13

Q: What's the definition of a will?
A: It's a dead giveaway.

Q: What happens when you don't pay your exorcist?
A: You get repossessed.

Rated JCU

Q: What do you call a dream about ordering Chinese food from No. One Express?
A: Sleep Wok-ing

Q: How did John Coughlin get rid of his fear of hurdles?
A: He just got over it.

Q: What does the lawn sign say at the drug rehab clinic?
A: "Please keep off grass."

Essay tip: An "I" for and "I" makes the whole world third person.

The Ovaltine decoder challenge!



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Editorial Go phish

One week ago, a phishing attempt was reported to the John Carroll ITS Department. The scammers were attempting to get personal information from students via email. Unfortunately, two students responded to the email.

The email sent used the JCU logo and appeared to be an official email from the University.

Information Technology Services sent out several cautionary emails warning the campus about the scamming attempts.

To avoid the trouble brought about by submitting personal information to these phishing attempts, students should be sure to read all emails from ITS.

To prevent further attempts to hack into the campus network, all professors have been switched to the Gmail system which is more secure. ITS should continue to improve the security of the network. The likelihood that these sort of attempts would happen at all would decrease, which would also decrease the possibility that students could fall victim to the deceptiveness of the scamming emails. In addition to these emails, paper warnings should also be sent out as these could not be confused for another phishing attempt.

In the future, incoming JCU students should be educated about previous scam attempts and taught how to identify them.



Cartoon by Emily Day

NOTABLE QUOTABLE

“My fellow Americans, we have traveled through more than a decade under the dark cloud of war. Yet here, in the pre-dawn darkness of Afghanistan, we can see the light of a new day on the horizon.”

— President Obama in a speech addressing the partnership agreement made with Afghanistan

Editorial

Entrepreneurs d'jour

Only three years after its creation, John Carroll University's entrepreneurship minor program has been named the best undergraduate program of its kind in Northeast Ohio and 43rd best nationwide by Bloomberg Businessweek.

The students who graduate from this program have gone on to do great things and it's wonderful that John Carroll has such an awesome program.

The program is great because it encourages more student creativity, and forms leaders for tomorrow. The independent development of new ideas provides them with the skill necessary to find new ways to help improve the world around them.

The University should consider incorporating some of the tactics used in entrepreneurship to other academic programs. The value of the skills taught are not exclusive to business pursuits.

Since the program is fairly new to campus, a lot of students do not know about it. The program should find ways to involve the entire campus community in the work being done by students with the minor. The collective effort of the University can help promote the success of current students and alumni.

HIT & miss

Hit: Two weeks left of school **miss:** Finals **miss(ing):** Ambition, motivation, will power and energy **Hit:** President Obama signs a partnership agreement with Afghan President Hamid Karzai, marking the beginning of the end of the war in Afghanistan **miss:** Last issue of The Carroll News **Hit/miss:** Clive Palmer, an Australian billionaire, plans to build a Titanic II **Hit:** One World Trade Center becomes New York City's tallest building at 1,368 feet **miss:** A collision during a yacht race in California kills three **Hit:** Glynis Lawson was found alive in a body bag after being presumed deceased following a series of deadly twisters in DeKalb County, Alabama **miss:** The population of the Asian Tiger Shrimp, which can grow to 13 inches long, has increased ten times in the past year along Eastern American coastlines **Hit:** Khloe Kardashian and Lamar Odom's reality show is being canceled **miss:** The JCU Senior Comedy Roast **Hit/miss:** Five animals that were released from Terry Thompson's Zanesville, Ohio farm last October are being returned to his widow **miss:** Cleveland ranks 12th from last in a Bundle.com survey of 50 of "The Most and Least Fashionable Cities in America."

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OURVIEW



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Law and order: It has been one of the biggest components for every society.

It is designed to help maintain stability among the people. There are supposed to be no barriers according to the book. Everyone is eligible to be liable and no one, or case for that matter, can be overlooked. Of course, this may not always be the case for all of the world's citizens. Just ask the African Americans in the South during the 1960s or Catholics of Northern Ireland. It was cases like these where the law chose to play favorites and treat these individuals with less respect. In University Heights, Ohio, while maybe not as extreme as my previous examples, there is a group that faces this same injustice: the attack on college kids.

Students experience interference with the University Heights Police Department 24/7. During the week, they zone in like vultures on the smallest of parking violations, slapping ridiculous fines on the struggling young scholars of John Carroll University. Their biggest prey is on the weekends. It is the time when

Law and order

we go for those lovely happy-go-lucky strolls on the streets in search of a little relief from our long weeks of unpaid work. Once again, they are there, stealthily waiting for the proper moment to strike. They are interested in the contents of your backpack, just assuming that these containers of learning material suddenly are cloaks for mischief. There is no need to discuss the legitimacy of UHPD's accusations. What matters more is that they must realize what is important and stop singling out JCU students.

It is true, by Cuyahoga County standards, University Heights has a lower crime rate than other cities. But there is still other crime that must be given notice. For one example, I have noticed several adult drunk drivers out on the road on the weekend nights. The vast majority of these actions are given the blind eye, all because the police are in a big rush to catch the next house party. Another time, I remember a buddy of mine had his car broken into and was later mugged. Not only did the police fail to take action, but they also claimed that he was exaggerating the whole story. Of course, if a JCU student so much as stumbled on a sidewalk, they would rush to him and give him a Breathalyzer test.

The police may hold this notion

that because it is a relatively safe suburban town, college parties are the biggest problem. Let it go! Who cares if the taxpayers yell at you for your minimal level of work? I have friends who go to a school almost identical to JCU in Connecticut, in a town that makes University Heights look like Detroit. However, the police there realize that they look pathetic spending their time harassing college students. Plus, it should be wise to remember, the more you tell kids to not do something, the more likely they will do it, far more recklessly as well. Leave us alone, and the trouble becomes far more contained.

All I can say is, I will be living in an off-campus house next year. Of course, there is the strong possibility that I will throw a few social gatherings every now and then. Likewise, my house-mates and I would be sure to keep our affairs contained inside our house. If this is successful, why would the cops opt to bring these activities to the neighborhood by raiding through and kicking everyone out?

All I am saying is, UHPD can start acting like real police and not overbearing parents to JCU students.

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Cooney Meets World:
Embracing change

Dan Cooney
Editor in Chief

Wow, is it really the last day of classes already? It feels like just yesterday that my roommate and I were moving in, setting everything up in our dorm room and getting ready for another year here at JCU.

But as I sit here at my desk in the newsroom and type this column, that first day also seems like an eternity ago. A lot has happened since the beginning of the school year, and some of it was stuff I never imagined or expected.

The late author Leo Buscaglia once said, "Change is the end result of all true learning." Buscaglia sounds like a pretty smart guy.

I can confidently say I am not the same person I was in September. Actually, I think a lot of us can say that. In this very column space, I've written, "College is supposed to be an enlightening experience. We should try new things, go to different places, formulate deep questions and make new connections. A lot of us have done that, while some are just scratching the surface of college life."

Next year, I'm going to take a class that's not in my major or minor because I want to broaden my horizons and try my hand at something different. This past November, I traveled with one of my classes to Washington, D.C., a place I had never been before. And, if you've been reading this column lately, you know I recently went on Manresa 21, where I spent a lot of time thinking and forming new relationships.

I'm looking forward to senior year because of the great potential it holds. There's so much more to learn, so many more questions to ask, plenty of places left to go and people to see. As this year was, next year will also be one with a lot of change.

While we will all be in familiar surroundings – seeing the same people and going to class in the same buildings with professors we're relatively comfortable with – the evolution will inevitably happen.

Businessman Nido Qubein is quoted saying, "Change brings opportunity."

The class of 2012 is going to experience major change in a little over a week. For some of them, no longer will their days be devoted to classes and homework, but to actual employment. Some will continue with schooling, but at the graduate level. Others will devote their time to a year or two of service.

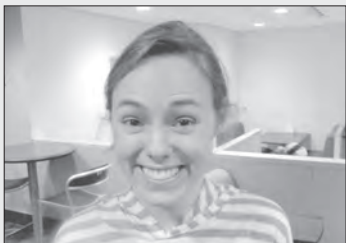
They are all going out into the "real" world – full of challenges and opportunities to make a difference. Here is where they can live out that Jesuit mission we've all heard in our time here at JCU: St. Ignatius Loyola's quote, "Go forth and set the world on fire," rings true.

So, to those of you graduating this spring, I wish you all nothing but the very best. Many of you I've come to know through long deadline nights in the newsroom, Student Union meetings, weekends socializing and classes. Use all of your experiences and knowledge to leave the world better than you found it.

For the rest of us left here, you're in luck – you get to read more "Cooney Meets World" next year! But besides that, we all have opportunities and challenges left to explore, and more change to experience. Our core – where we come from, remembering who helped get us to this point and our values – should not change. But, in many other ways, we shouldn't leave JCU as the same person from when we started.

Here's hoping we all have a safe and happy summer, and we come back "changed" – ready to tackle another school year.

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Wonderword:
What does babalaas mean?

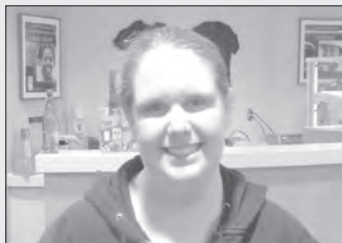
"A type of fish that eats baba ganoush."

Alyssa Brown,
sophomore



"A strange cocktail."

Chris Mitschow,
freshman



"An execution method."

Bridget Mason,
junior

babalaas: a hangover; the symptoms of this



Brian Bayer
Managing Editor

Ever since grade school, my district's slogan was, "The best is yet to come." During my time at North Allegheny, I loved this motto. I thought it was inspirational, a message that I could truly embrace – I could be the best that NA has to offer.

However, when I graduated and they did not change the slogan, I was disappointed to say the least. If the best is still yet to come, doesn't that imply that I was not the best? Hmph.

Well, over 15 classes and 10,000 people have graduated in the time that this has been the slogan, and I'm starting to believe the 'best' just simply isn't coming. So where does that leave us?

With graduation looming right around the corner and all the seniors

scrambling to get their lives together, I would like to offer a different message to everyone at JCU: The best is here right now.

For those of you graduating, good luck in the real world. It's true – we've got this awesome little bubble in the UH, and nothing will pop it faster than your diploma. Fortunately, if you have taken advantage of all of the opportunities at JCU, then nobody could be more prepared to face reality than you.

For the rest of us, we have a duty to live the dream during the rest of our time in college. We can all be a part of a brighter future, but our job starts now.

Since I was born in the 1990s, I have a natural tendency to be nostalgic.

So, I found a picture of little Brian Bayer heading off to his first day of kindergarten back in 1997 (you can check it out on my Facebook profile pics if you so desire). I had a black pair of jean shorts, knee-high socks and a red T-shirt that said "Prowler" with a tiger on it.

Ever since then, I like to think I have attacked life with that prowler attitude. You gotta get after your dreams and make them happen. You gotta be that tiger (in knee-high socks if that's your thing) who tries to tackle the problems of the world and work towards a better tomorrow.

That first day of kindergarten, my biggest challenge was making a Froot Loop necklace and building a castle out of cardboard blocks. By second grade, I had expanded my search for meaning to multiplication tables (still working on those actually). By ninth grade, I had developed my own denim-based jean jacket swag. By the time I was a senior, I was positive I had all the answers. After all, I was a prowler, that badass tiger I so proudly sported on my first-ever day of school just 13 years before.

And now that I am a junior, I have learned that nobody really has all the answers, but we do have something that very few people are blessed with: an atmosphere that allows us to freely

search for them. And that's really what college is all about.

As for what I have learned, I would say two major themes stand out above everything else: live and grow.

There is no value in "I haven't." Tremendous talent is worth nothing if it is left unrealized. But realizing it is only half the battle – growing into the person you want to be is the other half.

Every year, I make a list of goals I want to accomplish. I evaluate these throughout the year to see how I am doing. Sometimes I achieve them; sometimes I fall short. That's part of being human. But this year, I only made one goal: To grow as a person.

Granted, this is a very open-ended goal, but it really says it all. If you can figure out what you are passionate about and pursue that with your whole heart and grow into the person that you want to be, then you are, by all accounts, a successful person.

The JCU fight song offers a great message for all of us:

"Onward, On John Carroll, For we're here to see you win, Gold and Blue;

Onward, On John Carroll, Onto greater goals and vict'ries new;

Onward, On John Carroll, For our faith in you is boundless and true;

Dear Alma Mater, we're all for you, And for the Gold and Blue."

As proud Blue Streaks, we are each a part of this victory-bound population of winners. If you are graduating, now is your time to move "onto greater goals and vict'ries new."

And if you have more time at JCU, treasure it, because I am positive that the best is already right here and now. It's just a matter of proving to the world that it is our turn to take the reigns and prowl our way to an even better best.

Rawr.

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The Bayer Necessities: Onward, on, John Carroll

The Op/Ed Top Ten: Ways to procrastinate

1. Cry
2. Bake a cake
3. Eat a cake
4. Have a dance party
5. Nap
6. Run, walk or ride a bike
7. Sit in the cafeteria for multiple hours
8. Think of more ways to procrastinate
9. Facebook, Twitter/Internet distractions
10. Clean your room (for the extremely desperate)

— Compiled by Nick Wojtasik and Clara Richter

Nick's Knack: Who, if not we?



Nick Wojtasik
Editorial & Op/Ed Editor

Presently, we are at a very tense juncture in time. The end of the scholastic year is here and the seniors, our friends, are graduating in just over two weeks. Without a doubt, they have learned a lot throughout their 21 years, however short of a period that seems to some.

The over-used advice about college tells us that these years are few and are going to be the best of our lives. The moments we remember aren't going to be the ones spent studying or in classrooms. The true learning happens in times spent interacting with the real world. While all of these are most likely true, there seems to be a theme among these that is anti-establishment and opposes the structure of college.

My views notoriously call for the overhauling of our societal system. But, over the past few weeks, as I've reflected on the departure of the class of 2012 and my own, quickly approaching collegiate mortality, I've come to realize the necessity of the unifying aspect of a university.

I've spent three years with the current graduating class, obviously longer than any other before it. The closest relationships have been built from the exuberance and hardships of distance running via the JCU cross country and track teams.

Last autumn, the cross country team was of a skill level not approached in years. With this ability came lofty goals, unachievable without the collective effort of every runner. As we prepared for the conference and regional championships, hearing the final, inspirational words of the team's seniors moved many of us close to tears.

Toeing the line for a race, a runner typically tries to clear the mind of everything to remove the influence of any conceivable negativity and unharness raw potential effort: a very individual and introverted action. Yet, the atmosphere prefacing these events was of something greater than the self. This sense is analogous to the hundreds of miles through treacherous waters which salmon swim during spawning season. They do this together for the continuation of their species.

This feeling was refreshed before the 10,000 meter run at the OAC Championships this weekend. Before approaching the line, two juniors and two seniors huddled together, and the eldest reminded the others that when the going gets tough, to have fun; that's why we run.

About 800 meters into the 5,000 me-

terrace the following day, I was instructed to take the lead to help my teammates run faster. Their abilities, being better than mine, I expended all the pep left if my legs as the three of us held the top three positions, until my legs were spent a mile later. Despite my poor-resulting finish, in the end I can't remember having more fun on the track.

In the past I have written about the freedom of simplicity and nothingness. Rabbi and philosopher Abraham Joshua Heschel wrote, "Freedom presupposes the capacity for sacrifice. Man's true fulfillment cannot be reached by the isolated individual, and his true good depends on communion with, and participation in, that which transcends him." The realizations I have had from the culmination of my running seasons and my friends' college careers have altered my perspective. The things we do are not glorious or fulfilling because of the actions themselves, but rather because of those with whom they are shared.

Many of the most rewarding experience we have are bad ideas. Drinking too much, acting like an idiot and eating terrible food the following morning are all bad ideas. By themselves, they ruin the body and the reputation. Most normal people probably wouldn't do these things alone. When one is with a group of friends, though, and later recounts the experiences, the camaraderie transcends rationality.

Famous recluse, Christopher McCandless, who abandoned his family and possessions to experience his idea of ultimate freedom by living alone in nature, is shown writing, "Happiness is not real unless shared," as he is close to death in a film about his experiences. One can do many things alone. Knowledge, art, literature, adventure and normally unfulfilling experiences are greatly enhanced when one is sharing them with others.

There is a lot about college that many of us are not happy about. Without those with whom to share the misery, complaints and, at times, tears, this discontentment would be intolerable. Something that mustn't be forgotten is that college brought us all together, through better and worse. The roughness caused by assignments and loss of motivation can distract us from the collective of people and experiences of which we are a part.

Without the tribulations, we would not reap rewards of their binding properties. Revel in them and the recognition that they've brought to you the most intimate, consistent and continuous string of paradoxical rewards you might experience for quite some time.

You are part of something bigger. Not necessarily a collective goal, but, indubitably, a collaborative sense of transcendent being.

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I'm a nerd.

That being said, let me launch into a great display of my self-proclaimed nerdiness.

Being a reader of many books, I have read about some of the most fantastic wizards of all time. The list boils down to a main six.

So, my big question is: Who would be the ultimate victor in a "great wizards of literature" battle?

Each of our contenders has pros and cons. Each one has a different strength. All of them have a weakness. Most of them have really intense beards.

We begin with Gandalf the Grey. Hailing from Middle Earth, you most likely recognize him from the books "The Hobbit" or "The Fellowship of the Ring." His pros include: those gigantic eyebrows (though I'm not sure how much good they would do him in a fight), his smoke-ring-making ability, his defeat of the Balrog in the Mines of Moria and his utterance of the immortal line, "You shall not pass." Also, he is never late; he always arrives precisely when he means to.

His cons include the fact that he probably has contracted the black lung and he couldn't defeat Saruman. Also, he got totally wiped out after his defeat of the Balrog and returned to Middle Earth as Gandalf the White, who just so happens to be our second contender.

Gandalf the White's most obvious pro is that he is Gandalf the Grey reincarnate and more powerful. Another

Off the Richter: Avada kedavra and the like

thing that he has going for him is that he defeated Saruman, who is no doubt a very powerful (but corrupt) wizard.

Gandalf the White is not only good at magic, but he is a physical powerhouse. He has mastered the art of wrecking everyone with his staff. He also employs Shadowfax (his horse) more so than Gandalf the Grey did.

Gandalf the White really only has one con: he has a lot of plans that need to be implemented through other people. Although, if we're going to count that as one of his cons, then it has to be one of Dumbledore's cons too.

And Dumbledore just so happens to be the next on our list. Perhaps the greatest wizard of his time, he comes from somewhere deep in the Scottish Highlands; but you probably know him best from Harry Potter. Dumbledore has several pros, including the aforementioned "the greatest wizard of his time." He also defeated the wizard Grindelwald and is the only wizard that Voldemort fears. He is also pretty great at spells and the like, and he also has a pet phoenix.

Dumbledore, however, does have a bit going against him. He never really happens to be around when you need him, and then he always shows up just in the nick of time. He also may have killed his younger sister, which is never a positive thing. He does not have a particularly intimidating name, either.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, we find Voldemort, who does have a rather intimidating name (a combination of the French words 'vole de mort' meaning 'stealer of death'). Voldemort is the most evil wizard on our list and his pros are

that he is merciless, ruthless and ugly enough to scare you to death. He is also immortal until you destroy his horcruxes.

Yet, his horcruxes were destroyed by a 17-year-old who eventually defeated him, which is a major con. Also, he has no beard. He also rushes into the duel of his life before taking the time to learn the whole story and is thus defeated.

Merlin is the original wizard, which is a major benefit for him. He also must be good, since he is employed by a king. He also is a big help in Arthur's rise to power, which spurred on years of British folklore in which it is said that he has the power to shape-shift (although that's disputed). Cons? Well, he was eventually imprisoned in a tree (although in some legends it's a cave, or a tower or a large rock). Bet you didn't see that one coming.

The great and powerful Wizard of Oz is the final wizard. Coming to us from The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, he definitely has the intimidation factor going for him, but that seems to be about it. As we all know, he is really just a man behind a curtain who is really good with smoke and mirrors. Also the fact that he is a con is a huge con.

My mother is convinced that The Wizard of Oz would win because he makes you believe in yourself and "that is the most powerful magic of all." I'm not so convinced. What do you think? Nerds everywhere, I would like your feedback. Who would win? Who would get offed first? Who would end up crying in a corner? I would honestly like to know.

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YOURVIEW

Open up
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Thank you for the recent editorial supporting campus moves toward sustainability and encouraging further moves in this direction. One of the areas omitted from the current discussions has to do with campus access.

A few years ago, Sasaki Associates, Inc., the firm retained to do a space study on campus, recommended increased access to campus (which they thought looked uninviting) and streamlining of the driving route through the campus parking lots. Not long after this recommendation was received, campus access became even more

restricted than it had been before. I do not know who made the policy decision to cut off access to campus through the Belvoir entrance for these specific restricted hours, but they cannot have considered the sustainability question.

Closing off the Belvoir entrance means that someone coming to the gym, chapel, bookstore or other area of the Recplex must drive just under two miles (1.93) to get to a parking spot near the Recplex, rather than the 50-100 yards they would have driven if the Belvoir entrance had been open. Is two miles such a big deal? Let's assume that at least 100 people each weekday are rerouted to the Fairmount Circle entrance. That's 1,000 miles each week, for 40 weeks of the year.

Let's also assume that the cars average 25 mpg. The reroute burns an extra 1,600 gallons of gas, with the attendant damaging fuel emissions, and costs the drivers \$6,250 (not counting the wear-and-tear on the tires, etc.).

What does this reroute accomplish that is worth so much extra time, money and frustration on the part of those who come to our campus, and so much additional damage to the ozone layer?

Let's not make our great-grandchildren have to live with the results of this decision. Don't fence us out. Open the Belvoir entrance, all day, every day.

Got something to say?

You've got all summer to think about it.

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